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Hearing examiner cancels MAT hearing

Environmental review must be separate under code, he said

BY MATTHEW NASH
Sequim Gazette

A week before a hearing was set to begin addressing appeals for the Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe's proposed medication-assisted

treatment (MAT) application, the City of Sequim's appointed hearing examiner Phil Olbrechts cancelled the hearing because of perceived issues with the city's code.

In an email to parties of record on Sunday, Sept. 20, Olbrechts wrote

that he does "not have jurisdiction over consolidated permit hearings that include a (State Environmental Policy Act, SEPA) appeal."

A virtual, three-day hearing was set for Sept. 28-30 to hear six appeals from four appellants

including Robert Bilow, Parkwood Manufactured Housing Community, LLC, Save Our Sequim (S.O.S.), and the tribe.

Their appeals were collected into one hearing, per city code, for three aspects — the classification of the project (city staff review versus city council review), the environmental

Mitigated Determination of Non-significance (MDNS) SEPA review, and the application as a whole.

Olbrechts wrote he was disappointed to make the ruling, "but unfortunately, there is little room for reasonable disagreement on the jurisdictional issue."

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Kendall, former CEO of PepsiCo and SHS grad, dies at age 99

Sequim B&G club one of many legacies for World War II veteran

BY MICHAEL DASHIELL
Sequim Gazette

Donald Kendall learned the value of hard work early, getting up early to milk cows on his family's dairy farm in Sequim in the 1920s and '30s. If he missed the bus to school, that meant a 2-mile walk. When school was out, it was off to cutting and raking hay.

"I had a work ethic — spending long hours — 12 hour days," Kendall recalled in a 2015 profile in the Greenwich Sentinel (Conn.). "I don't think you get a job working eight hours. You keep going with 12-hour days. I frequently had customers out on weekends. You stay involved — you get to know your people and you get to know your customers."

The peninsula native and former PepsiCo/Pepsi-Cola CEO for more than 20 years who turned the company into an international consumer products juggernaut, died of natural causes on Sept. 19, family members said.

Kendall, who was 99, is survived by Bim, his wife of 55 years, along with four children and 10 grandchildren.

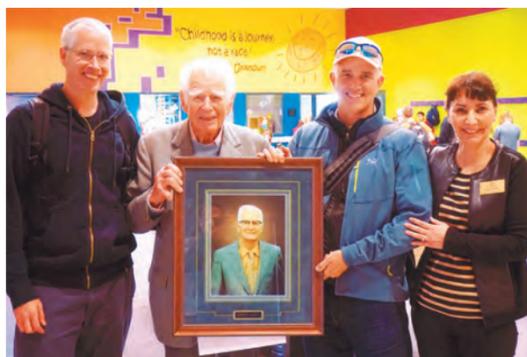
Kendall served as chief executive officer of Pepsi-Cola and PepsiCo for 23 years, and through he officially retired in 1986, he remained a trusted advisor and advocate for PepsiCo leaders, serving the company a total of 39 years, the company noted this week.

The architect behind the deal to merge the Pepsi-Cola Company with the Frito-Lay snack business in 1965, Kendall is widely regarded as the co-founder of the modern

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KENDALL



Mary Budke, executive director at the Boys Girls Clubs of the Olympic Peninsula, helps honor Donald Kendall, second from left, during a visit from the benefactor in 2014. It was the last in-person visit for Kendall, who died Sept. 19. Pictured with Kendall are his sons Kent, left, and Don Jr. Photo courtesy of the Boys Girls Clubs of the Olympic Peninsula



Irrigation Festival Royalty, from left, prince Logan Laxson, princess Brii Hingtgen, princess Alicia Pairadee, and queen Lindsey Coffman wave from their float for the first time on Sept. 19 outside 7 Cedars Casino after COVID-19 concerns led organizers to delay the reveal in March. Sequim Gazette photos by Matthew Nash

Irrigation Festival makes 125th year official with kickoff, float reveal

Event keeps streak as most continuous festival in state

BY MATTHEW NASH
Sequim Gazette

The "awe factor" remained high for the Sequim Irrigation Festival royalty six months later, as the Sequim teens saw their float for the first time last Saturday.

"It's awesome!" queen Lindsey Coffman said. "I love it," added princess Alicia Pairadee.

COVID-19 concerns led organizers to delay the festival's Kickoff Dinner and Auction for its 125th year along with the float reveal from March to Sept. 19.

Instead, they held a virtual reveal to show the float made by Guy Horton, David Blakeslee and John Riley.



Queen Lindsey Coffman waves for the first time from the Sequim Irrigation Festival's float on Sept. 19.

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Health officers concerned about weekend political rally

Clallam County office closes after exposure

BY ZACHARY JABLONSKI and PAUL GOTTLIEB

Olympic Peninsula News Group

Both Clallam and Jefferson counties remain in the state's low-risk category, with COVID-19 infection rates lower than 25 new cases per 100,000 population for the past two weeks.

The state Department of Health released a report last week stating its contact tracers have been having difficulty making contact with confirmed COVID-19 cases in a timely manner and/

or people have been reluctant to share information.

That has not been the case with Peninsula public health departments, as contact tracers have been able to reach the majority of people involved with cases and their contacts, and people have been willing to share information, health officials said.

"By and large, people have been quite receptive to us," said Dr. Allison Unthank, the Clallam County health officer. "We've really had much more success (than the state) when we call folks.

"I think it comes from hearing from someone local or someone who seems to know your story, seems to make it a little more acceptable to talk to us. I can only think of two cases where people were resistant to give us information of all the cases.

"We even had a case where the state said the person wouldn't talk to them, so we called them back and they were willing to talk to our staff."

The new case in Clallam County is suspected to have contracted the novel coronavirus through out-of-county exposure and is isolating at home, Unthank said.

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Couple offers leaves for concrete project

Ormbreks see gunnera grow bigger than expected

BY MATTHEW NASH
Sequim Gazette

Some people hand out political or spiritual leaflets, but Larry and Susie Ormbrek look to give out leaves.

The Bothell transplants have been growing a gunnera — also known as dinosaur food, or giant rhubarb — in their front yard off North Seventh Avenue for about three years.

Susie said the largest leaf is about 64 inches wide and the whole perennial is about 7-8 feet tall.

"I haven't seen one this big up here before," she said.

Gunnera serves as a polar opposite to Sequim's lavender, requiring a lot of moisture and soggy ground. The Ormbreks say they have a water system that keeps it watered well.

"It gets more water than our other plants," Susie said. "The sun doesn't hit the ground below it."

As the couple readies for the fall, however, they plan to cut off the leaves in the coming weeks and offer them to community members who may want to do a special project.

Larry said there are easy-to-learn guides online for making cement bird baths from gunnera leaves.

"It makes a wonderful family project before winter hits," the couple said.

"(The concrete) gets every little detail. It's amazing," Larry said.

For those interested in a leaf, email to ormbrek@yahoo.com.

The Ormbreks have seen their gunnera take off similarly to nearby Isobel Johnston's agave plant by the Sequim Fire District headquarters. She purchased the agave 25 years ago, then the size of a baseball, that has grown into a popular sight for travelers along North Fifth Avenue.

Susie said she bought the plant in a 1-gallon container in Woodinville and didn't expect it to grow this large. In another part of their yard a similar gunnera was planted, but it hasn't seen the same success.

Larry said they'll trim the leaves and stems



Gunnera plants require a lot of moisture and soggy soil. In the winter, the Ormbreks cover their plant with some of its leaves to protect it from frost.

to above the base and place a few leaves over it to preserve it for winter.

About the Ormbreks

Prior to growing gunnera in Sequim, the couple operated Sign Up Sign Co. in Bothell for 32 years before selling it more than a year ago. It started inside a dog kennel and grew into a prominent business, Larry said.

They also had multiple ventures for animals, serving as dog breeders for 17 years. They designed dog clothing and had a cat bed and breakfast.

They came to love Sequim while attending a dog show promoting their "Designer Dog-gieWear!" coats.

Susie said they wanted to be able to walk to downtown easily and an added bonus was being able to see the Olympic Mountains.

"It's a beautiful, wonderful community," she said.

For the last year, the couple has been working on landscaping at their home. When on walks, they like to leave painted rocks for people to find through the Sequim Rocks group.

Susie said she likes to paint rocks branded "Kid Rocks" so that children can find hers. They are painted like animals and the couple purposefully looks for rocks that look like critters such as penguins.

"People seem to love them because they're never there the next day," she said.



Larry Ormbrek takes a closer look at one of the leaves of his gunnera plant. He said they've made a table from a leaf before using concrete and an online guide.

Sequim's Larry and Susie Ormbrek offer leaves from their gunnera plant for people interested in creating their own concrete tables or bird baths using an online guide. They'll trim the plants for the fall in the coming week or two. Sequim Gazette photos by Matthew Nash

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Sept. 16	70	56	Sept. 24	7:02 a.m.	7:04 p.m.
Sept. 17	68	55	Sept. 25	7:04 a.m.	7:02 p.m.
Sept. 18	61	55	Sept. 26	7:05 a.m.	7:00 p.m.
Sept. 19	66	57	Sept. 27	7:06 a.m.	6:58 p.m.
Sept. 20	69	50	Sept. 28	7:08 a.m.	6:56 p.m.
Sept. 21	65	48	Sept. 29	7:09 a.m.	6:54 p.m.

TIDE CHARTS

These tides are corrected for Dungeness Bay.

Date	NA	2:29 a.m.	-0.6	10:30 a.m.	6.9	3:08 p.m.	5.5
Sept. 23	NA	2:29 a.m.	-0.6	10:30 a.m.	6.9	3:08 p.m.	5.5
Sept. 24	NA	3:31 a.m.	-0.4	12:01 p.m.	7.2	5:03 p.m.	5.7
Sept. 25	NA	4:39 a.m.	-0.1	1:10 p.m.	7.5	6:59 p.m.	5.5
Sept. 26	NA	5:48 a.m.	0.1	2:02 p.m.	7.7	8:02 p.m.	4.9
Sept. 27	NA	6:51 a.m.	0.4	2:43 p.m.	7.7	8:41 p.m.	4.4
Sept. 28	1:04 a.m.	5.9	7:45 a.m.	0.6	3:16 p.m.	7.6	9:08 p.m.
Sept. 29	2:10 a.m.	6.0	8:30 a.m.	0.9	3:44 p.m.	7.5	9:31 p.m.

RAINFALL		MOON	
Rainfall for Week of Sept. 15-21, 2020		Sept. 23	First quarter
0.26 inch of precipitation recorded.		Oct. 1	Full moon
Rainfall recorded and reported at www.weather.com .		Oct. 9	Third quarter

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MILESTONES



From left: Ellen LaMarr, Marianne Burton and Lisa Stoddart take the Oath of Membership as they join Michael Trebert Chapter-Daughters of the American Revolution. Photo by Sandy Frykholm

Michael Trebert chapter welcomes new members

SEQUIM GAZETTE STAFF

Four Olympic Peninsula residents recently joined the local Daughters of the American Revolution chapter, and a fifth is slated to join this week.

During their first in-person meeting in several months, the Michael Trebert Chapter of the DAR welcomed Ellen LaMarr, Marianne Burton and Lisa Stoddart, each from Sequim, as new members on Sept. 16.

Port Angeles resident Deana Volker was also inducted.

The meeting took place at the Sequim

American Legion Hall and included some attendees via Zoom.

An additional new member, Linda Bryant of Sequim, was unable to attend but will take the Oath of Membership via Zoom on Sept. 23.

The Daughters of the American Revolution is a volunteer women's service organization. The primary areas of service are historic preservation, education and patriotism.

Membership is open to women 18 years of age and older who can prove lineal bloodline descent from an ancestor who aided the cause of American independence.

Sequim city councilor Smith gets leadership award

SEQUIM GAZETTE STAFF

Dennis Smith, Sequim city council member and former mayor, recently received a Certificate of Municipal Leadership from the Association of Washington Cities (AWC).

The certificate recognizes city and town elected officials for accomplishing training in four core areas: roles, responsibilities, and legal requirements; public sector resource management; community planning and development, and effective local leadership.

Smith completed more than 30 hours of training credits to earn this distinction. He was appointed to the city council in 2012 and elected in 2014 and 2018. He served as deputy mayor in 2014 and 2015 and as mayor from 2016 through 2019.

Smith serves on the Peninsula Regional Transportation Planning Organization, Shiso Sister City Association, City of Sequim Finance Committee, and as liaison to the Sequim-Dungeness Valley Chamber of Commerce. He previously served on the Board for Clallam Transit and as liaison to the City of Sequim Planning Commission.



SMITH



AmeriCorps Volunteers visit the 9/11 Memorial Park in Port Angeles from 9:11 a.m. to 9:11 p.m. on Sept. 11, holding a vigil and cleaning up the park in honor of those lost, as part of United Way of Clallam County's 2020 Annual Campaign. Volunteers with the Olympic Peninsula Rowing Association were also on site to beautify the park and donate time. Submitted photo

Clallam's United Way kicks off 2020 campaign

SEQUIM GAZETTE STAFF

United Way of Clallam County's 2020 Annual Campaign got underway on Sept. 11, as residents from Sequim to Forks participated in volunteer efforts that ranged from trash clean-ups to writing letters for the elderly.

The kickoff marks the start of United Way's annual fundraising effort and was also celebrated in collaboration with Day of Caring and Sequim Restaurant Days.

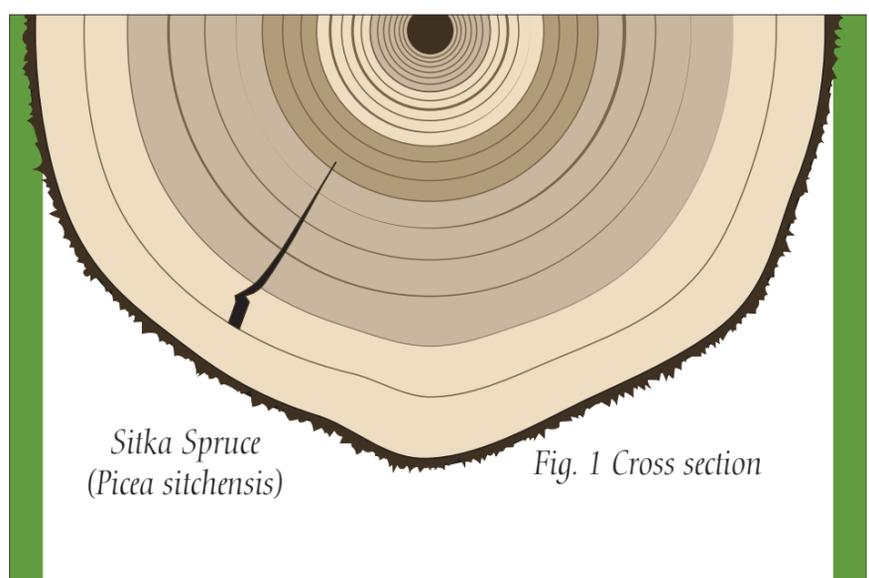
United Way of Clallam County partners with local nonprofits who offer the best available programs and services that improve situations for families and strengthen the community.

Donations can be directed towards a specific non-profit or placed in the community fund.

For more information about United Way Partners and community impact programs or to donate online, visit www.unitedwayclallam.org.

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OPHS provides aid to animals from wildfire-ravaged areas

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Through a new partnership with Start Rescue, the Olympic Peninsula Humane Society (OPHS) rescued seven dogs and two kittens from fire-ravaged California last week.

Start Rescue provides monthly transport of at-risk animals to the Pacific Northwest from California.

"We were delighted to be vetted and accepted by Start Rescue where we can save animals that are at risk of euthanasia for space in overcrowded shelters," said Jacqueline Petersen, OPHS's development manager who initiated the partnership.

The timing of this new relationship enabled the local shelter to provide assistance while fire-ravaged shelters were full or where others could not get to the transport area to pick up at-risk animals.

Petersen and her husband met the transport van outside of Portland, Ore., to caravan the animals to Port Angeles.

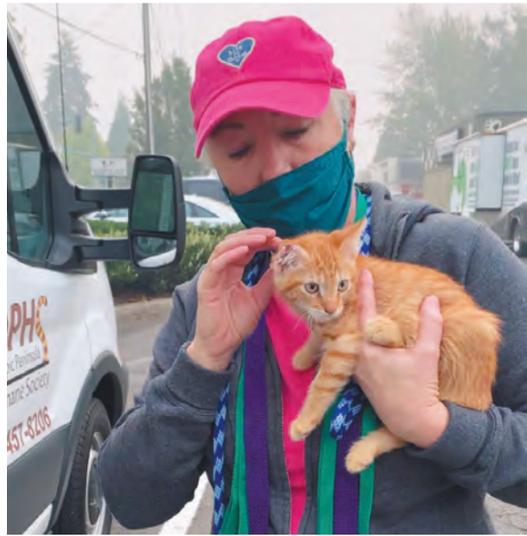
"It's truly rewarding to save an animal's life and, at the same time, help other shelters," OPHS Executive Director Luanne Hinkle said.

"Additionally, this partnership allows us to bring in-demand animals to the area. Many adopters want small dogs or a specific

breed of cat or dog. If we can serve the community's wishes while saving a life, that is truly a win-win situation."

Find more about the rescued animals at www.ophumanesociety.org or call 360-457-8206.

A private, nonprofit corporation, the Olympic Peninsula Humane Society shelters and cares for domestic animals of all types regardless of breed, health or disposition, is financed primarily by private donations and community gifts and is not associated with any national organization. About 1,500 animals pass through OPHS's doors each year, organization representatives said.



Jacqueline (pictured) and Brooks Peterson retrieve dogs and cats from Start Rescue's drop-off area in Portland, Ore. Photo courtesy of Olympic Peninsula Humane Society

Festival

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"It was a labor of love," Horton said.

He and the crew spent 600-plus hours making the float that will be used for two events — the kickoff and a procession (smaller parade) on Oct. 10.

Horton and fellow crew members couldn't work together on the float because of the COVID-19 pandemic, so they mostly worked alone, he said.

The float features the Olympic Mountains as a backdrop along with 30 different photographs of historic Sequim, courtesy of Sequim Museum & Arts and Jean Wyatt wrapped around buckets that light up and spin.

"I thought it was cool they incorporated all the old photographs," said prince Logan Laxson. "It gives a perspective of how old the festival is."



The Sequim Irrigation Festival royalty float takes a ceremonial loop around the 7 Cedars Casino parking lot for its official ride. It'll make one more appearance during a procession on Oct. 10 through Sequim. Sequim Gazette photo by Matthew Nash

Princess Brii Hingtgen said she's been wanting to see the float since she tried out for the royalty, and Pairadee said

she goes to church across from the float barn where it was made and she didn't take any glances over because she

wanted to keep it a surprise.

In past years, the float made appearances at parades throughout Western Washington and Canada representing and promoting Sequim. However, because of Washington state's health guidelines for COVID-19, no plans were made for the royalty outside of the Irrigation Festival's events, organizers said.

Despite the lack of events, royalty did meet to work on their song together, they said. "These are unprecedented times," Deon Kapetan, the

festival's executive director, said. "But I'm proud of you guys for rolling with the punches."

As a ceremonial act, the royalty and a few participants of the virtual unveiling rode/walked around the 7 Cedars Casino's parking lot.

Afterward, volunteers and royalty handed out meals to Kickoff Dinner ticket holders with an online silent and live auction held. Funds from the auction support scholarships for the royalty and festival operations. Organizers said they exceeded their \$20,000 goal but still seek support for the float at www.kickoff2020.givesmart.com or by dropping a donation off at the Sequim-Dungeness Valley Chamber of Commerce.

The kickoff event can be viewed at www.facebook.com/SequimIrrigationFestival and [irrigationfestival.com](http://www.irrigationfestival.com).

125 continuous years

Two weekends of events will be consolidated into one day on Oct. 10 for the festival's 125th year, branded "125 the Fields are Alive."

Because of recent smoke issues from region wildfires, organizers opted not to hold a fireworks show this year. However, more details are to be announced about an online show from years past.

Instead of the full parade, a procession of dignitaries will take place from 5-6 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 10, with a route to be announced soon.

"I'm super excited for the events we're putting on," Kapetan said.

"People in this group have persevered. They all had to think outside the box, so it's like putting on a whole new festival."

ADDITIONAL FESTIVAL EVENTS

Innovative Arts and Crafts Show

For its 30th year, the Innovative Arts and Crafts Show

joins the Sequim Farmers and Artisans Market on the Sequim Civic Center Plaza on Oct. 10. Contact: Renne Brock at Innovativeac@IrrigationFestival.com.

Past Royalty Luncheon

The Past Royalty Luncheon is open to the public via a virtual meeting with more information at the festival's website.

Kids Parade/Family Fun Day

Families with children 12 and younger are encouraged to dress up for the virtual Kids Parade. Children can win prizes for "Best Storybook Character," "Best Pet Entry," "Best Mini Floats," "Best Festival Theme" and "Grand Prize." To submit an entry, email to familyfunday@irrigationfestival.com.

Organizers are also working on activity packets for families to pick up for Family Fun Day, too.

Crazy Daze Breakfast

Businesses are encouraged to send a video of a skit to Julianne Coonts at juliannevillella@hotmail.com before Sept. 26. Skits should reflect the theme "125 the Fields are Alive." Winners will be awarded a \$50 gift certificate to a local restaurant. Organizers encourage people to pick up breakfast from their favorite restaurant while watching the virtual event, too.

Cancelled

Organizers opted to cancel the following events because of COVID-19 concerns: the carnival; fireworks (in-person); Hot Rods & Harleys Show n' Cruise; Historic Walking Tour; Irrigation Festival Fun Run; Logging Show, Truck and Tractor Pull, and Strongman Showdown.

For more information, visit www.facebook.com/SequimIrrigationFestival and [irrigationfestival.com](http://www.irrigationfestival.com).



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COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS

Bridge closure postponed

A Hood Canal Bridge closure previously scheduled for Sept. 17-18, has been canceled, according to the state Department of Transportation.

The scheduled repair work has been postponed due to weather. The department will announce when the work is rescheduled.

For more information, see visit wsdot.com/traffic/hoodcanal.

Thrift shop is open

The Sequim Dungeness Hospital Guild Thrift Shop, 204 West Bell St., is open 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Thursdays and Fridays. All proceeds go to health care needs in the Sequim community. Shoppers are required to wear a mask.

Kiwanis selling water filters for fundraiser

The Kiwanis Club of Sequim-Dungeness is selling the Emergency-H2O Water Filter Roll-up as a fundraiser and to help the community be better prepared for disaster.

Club members will be selling these filters from noon-5 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 26, in front of the Mariner Café, 609 W. Washington St. Club members had originally planned to sell the filters on Sept. 12 but cancelled the event because of poor air quality.

Filter are \$50 each, with

tax; pay with cash or a check made out to "Kiwanis."

The products filter up to 10 gallons per hour and are good for 3,000 gallons when properly maintained.

For more information, call Wayne Boden 907-227-2296.

Coffee With the Mayor set this week

The City of Sequim, in partnership KSQM radio, hosts a live call-in session of Coffee With the Mayor at 8 a.m. on Thursday, Sept. 24. Residents are encouraged to tune into KSQM 91.5 FM or visit ksqmf.com/live.

Mayor William Armacost will be joined by Police Chief Sheri Crain to answer questions or receive comments. Listeners may call 360-681-0000 during the show to ask questions live or they can submit questions in advance to city clerk Sara McMillon by email at smcmillon@sequimwa.gov, or by traditional mail to: City Clerk Sara McMillon, 152 West Cedar Street, Sequim, WA 98382.

Coffee with the Mayor is an opportunity for residents to meet with the mayor to chat, ask questions, express a concern or make a comment about the city.

Habitat accepting applications for new homeowners

Habitat For Humanity of Clallam County is accepting applications for new homeowners now through 4 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 13.

The home is a three-bed, 1-bath house in Habitat's Maloney Heights neighborhood in Port Angeles. Applicants must be able to demonstrate need (living in substandard conditions, ability to pay an affordable mortgage and willingness to partner (help build one's home).

Applications can be picked up at the Port Angeles Habitat Store, 728 E. Front St., or downloaded at www.habitatclallam.org.

Return applications and all other required documents to the Port Angeles Habitat Store or email to julie@habitatclallam.org.

For more information, call 360-775-3740.

Special wine a PFOA fundraiser

CATAstrophic 2020, a special bottling available Harbinger Winery, is a fundraiser for the Peninsula Friends of Animals.

The nonprofit organization in unable to host sits annual Feline Fine in person this year with COVID-19 health restrictions in place; in lieu, PFOA and Harbinger Winery offer the wine for \$25, with a portion of all proceeds going to PFOA's animal rescues.

The wine, which featured PFOA mascot "Barky" on the logo, is available for pick-up at the winery, 2358 US Highway 101 West, or at PFOA's Safe Haven site, 257509 US Highway 101; call 360-452-4262.



Family performer Red Yarn is showcased in a virtual presentation hosted by the North Olympic Library System on Sept. 27. Submitted art

NOLS to host family-friendly, virtual Red Yarn show

SEQUIM GAZETTE STAFF

Award-winning family performer Red Yarn brings his high-energy, interactive, music and puppet show for all ages to an online show set for 5:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 27.

Hosted by the North Olympic Library System, the virtually show is available on the NOLS Facebook (facebook.com/NorthOlympicLibrarySystem), Instagram and YouTube pages.

Weaving together modernized folk songs and fun puppet skits, Red Yarn gets audiences singing, dancing, stomping, clapping

and celebrating the multicultural musical heritage of the U.S., event organizers say.

Red Yarn's exclusive performance will be available on NOLS social media platforms through Nov. 27.

In addition, check out Red Yarn's Facebook and YouTube pages for more hours of fun, and put a hold on Red Yarn CDs and pick up curbside at your local NOLS branch.

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Don't be too hard on yourself

Remember how you talk with your children when they get discouraged about things they're trying to learn. Think about ways you try to keep up their spirits and their efforts to accomplish what they are trying to do — or trying to learn how to do.

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In other words, think of the times you have encouraged them to keep trying and told them it would get better with time.

That is what is happening right now: many of the parents who are trying to help their children learn new material for school are feeling overwhelmed and discouraged. They remember how difficult it was at the end of last year. They remember feeling their children were not learning as much as they usually learned in school.

It can be discouraging, especially when most parents have not learned how to be teachers.

Take initiative

Now it is time for you to take the lessons you have been trying to teach your child about becoming discouraged and remember them for yourself. You may not be the best teacher your child has ever had, but that doesn't mean you can't help your child learn.

Here are some ways you can help:

- **Begin by reading the material your child's teacher sends home.** The more you understand what is expected, the better you can help your child.
- **Ask your child to make it clear to you what each teacher expects.** Even when your child doesn't know how to do some part of an assignment, he probably can tell you what the teacher is asking.
- **It is fine to ask your child's teacher for help.** First, see if you can do what is being asked. If you can't, ask for the help you need. Teachers want you to succeed.
- **Remember that there are lessons to be learned beyond the ones the school is sending home.** Those lessons include how to play outside, how to wash his hands thoroughly and about how to wear a mask regularly.



PARENTING IN FOCUS

Cynthia Martin

• Lessons about establishing a regular routine are important for him to learn. Let him see how helpful they can be. He will need your help on this one, so let him see ways in which you are organized.

• **Help him learn to organize his material in a special learning place.**

• **This is a time to talk about health.** He needs to learn that he can make a difference in his own health by how he treats himself and how he protects himself.

• **Help him understand that life changes and he has to change with it.**

• **Talk with him about the changes he is experiencing.** Let him talk about changes such as seeing less of his friends.

Let him have a chance to talk about the difficulties and problems with you. This may be the most important positive change that comes out of this pandemic. Your child might learn to talk more freely with you especially if you are responsive and understanding. Let him know how important he is to you and that you want to help him in whatever way possible.

End your talks with hugs. Be sure he knows how important he is to you.

Cynthia Martin is the founder of the First Teacher program and former executive director of Parenting Matters Foundation.

Educator grants available

The Beta Nu Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma announces a Nov. 15 deadline for the organization's professional continuing educators grants, from the Helen Garipey Grants for School Educators in

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working in a Clallam or Jefferson County school may apply. Funding is for tuition expenses not paid for from any other sources.

Applications are available at www.betanuchapter.com or www.betanuchapter.com/professional-educator-grants.html. Applications must be postmarked on or before Nov. 15 to be considered for this deadline.

First Teacher sets parent Zoom events

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A series of First Teacher parent meetings are offered on Zoom at 10 a.m. on most Mondays. The sessions are opportunities for parents, caregivers and guardians to get information on different parenting topics and young children to hear a story read aloud to them virtually by guest readers.

During the event, participants may type in questions using the chat feature.

On Sept. 28, Shanna Crutchfield, community outreach manager for Vanir Construction, introduces a special character and talk about sibling rivalry; check out the Zoom at tinyurl.com/y63z5qsq.

For upcoming Zoom sessions, go to www.facebook.com/FirstTeacherPMF.

On Oct. 5, Eric Pickens, an elementary school teachers and Sequim School District board director, is the guest reader.

On Oct. 12, Wild Birds Unlimited co-owner Christie Lassen talks about wild bird rescue, along with staff from Discovery Bay Wild Bird Rescue.

On Oct. 19, Dungeness River Audubon Center director Powell Jones explores the outdoor world with a focus on the amazing lives of owls and a chance to learn and practice their sounds.

On Oct. 26, Helen Haller Elementary School teacher Lorrie Corder shares a pumpkin craft and talk about kindergarten readiness.

Parent Zooms are scheduled through the end of the year, including a monthly science spot with the Dungeness River Audubon Center, and Santa as a very special guest reader late in the year.

The First Teacher program, a local nonprofit organization provided by Parenting Matters Foundation, offers resources for parents of young children. Clallam County residents can sign up to receive the First Teacher newsletter at no charge emailing to info@firstteacher.org.

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Child faces misdemeanor charges for school vandalism

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A 12-year-old could face a misdemeanor charge of malicious mischief for allegedly vandalizing portions of Helen Haller Elementary and the Sequim School District's concession

stand.

Sometime between 6 p.m. Wednesday Sept. 2, and Thursday 8 a.m. Sept. 3, an individual or individuals spray painted graffiti outside Helen Haller Elementary 350 W Fir St., inside one of its classrooms, and at the nearby

ticket booth/concession stand at the Sequim School District's athletic field.

Sgt. Mike Hill with the Sequim Police Department said charges are being referred to the Clallam County Prosecutor's Office, and because damages cost less than \$250 the

child could be charged with malicious mischief in the third degree.

Hill said the alleged vandal admitted to doing the exterior graffiti but did not give a reason why He did not admit to spray painting graffiti on a whiteboard inside a classroom.

Four 12-year-olds were interviewed about the incidents, Hill said.

Despite no signs of forced entry at the school, Hill said the prosecutor could still charge the minor with burglary after reviewing the case.

Port Angeles man arrested in Sequim on drug charges

SEQUIM GAZETTE STAFF

A Port Angeles man was arrested on several drug charges in Sequim after he reportedly fled police officers in Port Angeles a week earlier

Clayton A. Folsom, 33, was arrested and booked into the Clallam County Jail for an outstanding Department of Corrections warrant, Possession of Controlled Substances with Intent to Deliver (both meth and heroin), Possession of Controlled Substances with Intent to Deliver within 1000 feet of a school zone (meth and heroin), and Felony Eluding a Police Vehicle.

Drugs seized in a search of a vehicle connected with Folsom is worth about \$7,000, law officers said.

According to officers with Olympic Peninsula Narcotics Enforcement Team (OPNET), Port Angeles police officers acting on a tip attempted to stop Folsom in a sports utility vehicle. When officers signalled with their emergency lights for the vehicle to pull over, Folsom reportedly evaded police, travelling as fast as 80 miles per hour north on Laurel Street.

"Officers determined that the risk to the public was too great to continue the pursuit at that time and discontinued pursuing the suspect," OPNET members said last week. "A witness identified Folsom as the driver and PAPD issued probable cause for Folsom's arrest."

In the afternoon on Sept. 14, a Sequim Police Officer located a parked vehicle Folsom had reportedly been driving in the 300 block of South Fifth Avenue. According to OPNET officers, the officer found the driver's side door open and Folsom was rummaging within the vehicle. Folsom left the vehicle and went into



Local law enforcement officers seize drugs in the arrest of a Port Angeles resident in mid-September. Photo courtesy of Olympic Peninsula Narcotics Enforcement Team

an apartment. Sequim Police surrounded the apartment complex and Folsom soon surrendered without further incident.

OPNET detectives arrived on scene to assist, and Folsom's vehicle was searched under Department of Corrections authority for evidence of DOC violations. Officers discovered controlled substances within the vehicle and after a search warrant was obtained, OPNET detectives a bag of about 141.9 grams of suspected methamphetamine (approximate street value \$5,600) multiple bags of smaller amounts totaling about 20.7 grams of suspected methamphetamine (approximate street value \$800) and 5.8 grams of suspected heroin (approximate street value \$580).

Those with information about Folsom's dealing of controlled substances in the community are asked to call OPNET at 360-565-7350.

FROM THE POLICE BLOTTER

The weekly police blotter includes incidents that occurred in the City of Sequim and in unincorporated Clallam County in the Sequim-Dungeness Valley area.

Sept. 15
6:05 a.m. — Domestic violence, Cliff Robinson Lane
9:34 p.m. — Vehicle accident, US Highway 101/Louella Road

Sept. 16
2:16 p.m. — Vehicle accident, 200 block of West Washington Street
5:15 p.m. — Theft, near 100 block of Ruths Place
9:52 p.m. — DUI/DWI, 200 block of Oyster House Road

Sept. 17
7:08 a.m. — Drug violation, near 100 block of Hooker Road
6:29 p.m. — Assault, 600 block of West Washington Street
10:19 p.m. — DUI/DWI, Carlsborg Road/Village Lane
11:25 p.m. — Domestic violence, Norris Road

Sept. 18
11:57 a.m. — Theft, 1200 block of West Washington Street
12:41 p.m. — Vehicle accident, US Highway 101/South Sequim Avenue
4:48 p.m. — Theft, 3600 block of Woodcock Road
7:02 p.m. — Theft, 1100 block of West Washington Street
7:05 p.m. — Sex registration violation, 1100 block of West Hendrickson Road
11:33 p.m. — Vehicle accident, 270000 block of US Highway 101

Sept. 19
7:41 a.m. — Theft, 1100 block of West Washington Street
9:58 a.m. — Theft, 8000 block of Palo Alto Road
5:01 p.m. — Vehicle accident, 400 block of North Brown Road

Sept. 20
9:04 a.m. — Theft, 200 block of West Deytona Street
2:20 p.m. — Assault, 1200 block of West Wash-

ington Street
2:23 p.m. — Theft, 1200 block of West Washington Street
5:02 p.m. — Theft, 1200 block of West Washington Street
8:26 p.m. — Domestic violence, Dungeness Meadows

Sept. 21
2:00 a.m. — Warrant arrest, West McCurdy Road/South Fifth Place
11:19 a.m. — Auto theft, Dungeness Meadows
3:50 p.m. — Vehicle accident, 1200 block of West Washington Street
5:06 p.m. — Vehicle accident, South Seventh Avenue/West Washington Street
5:23 p.m. — Theft, 1200 block of West Washington Street
5:34 p.m. — Theft, near 100 block of Aspen Creek Court
6:27 p.m. — Domestic violence, North Blake Avenue
10:52 p.m. — DUI/DWI, 270000 block of US Highway 101

Notice of Availability of the Northwest Training and Testing Final Supplemental EIS/OEIS

The U.S. Navy has completed a final supplement to the 2015 Northwest Training and Testing (NWTT) Final Environmental Impact Statement/Overseas Environmental Impact Statement (EIS/OEIS). The completion of the Final Supplemental EIS/OEIS follows years of research, analysis, stakeholder and tribal engagement, and public involvement.

Proposed Action

The Navy is proposing to continue training and testing activities at sea and in associated airspace within the Study Area beyond 2020. Proposed activities are similar to those that have occurred in the Study Area for decades and previously analyzed in the 2015 NWTT Final EIS/OEIS.

The purpose of the Proposed Action is to continue training and testing activities to ensure the Navy can accomplish its mission to maintain, train, and equip combat-ready naval forces capable of winning wars, deterring aggression, and maintaining freedom of the seas.

Public Involvement

The Navy is committed to keeping the public informed. The Navy obtained public input at several stages during the environmental planning process and held eight public meetings throughout Washington, Oregon, Northern California, and southeastern Alaska. The Final Supplemental EIS/OEIS includes responses to public comments received during the Draft Supplemental EIS/OEIS public review and comment period. In accordance with National Environmental Policy Act regulations, the Navy will wait a minimum of 30 days after publication of the Final Supplemental EIS/OEIS before making a final decision on the action.

Final Supplemental EIS/OEIS

The Navy is committed to providing an accessible version of the Final Supplemental EIS/OEIS to the public during COVID-19 conditions. The document will be available beginning Sept. 18, 2020, at www.NWTTTEIS.com.

If you need assistance accessing the document, please contact Ms. Julianne Stanford, Navy Region Northwest Public Affairs Office, at julianne.stanford@navy.mil or 360-867-8525.

If you have questions or would like additional information, please visit www.NWTTTEIS.com or contact:

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State Parks set virtual public process Miller Peninsula Park planning

'Destination' park eyed for 2,800-acre property

BY MICHAEL DASHIELL
Sequim Gazette

A state effort of more than 15 years in the making to further develop Miller Peninsula State Park is getting revived this fall.

Washington State Parks officials are inviting the public to take part in the first of several meetings to define the future of the park property just east of Sequim, with the first slated for 6 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 6, on the Microsoft Teams platform.

Join the online meeting at <https://j.mp/32CRZbO>.

The meeting is designed to take into account community members' hopes for and concerns regarding the park's development at the 2,800-acre site on Miller Peninsula, between Sequim and the Clallam/Jefferson county boundary.

The planning process, park officials say, is expected to produce a park master plan, long-term park boundary, land classifications a "pre-design" report with details on the first phase of development, and an official park name.

The initial public process, park officials say, will also consider changes to the nearby Sequim Bay State Park "so that the two parks will provide complimentary experiences."

The public can provide written questions, comments and suggestions during the meeting. After the meeting, share more comments via the project webpage at parks.state.wa.us/1187/Miller-Peninsula-Planning.

Project comments will be accepted through Saturday, Oct. 31.

Park background

Miller Peninsula State Park includes a trail system built and maintained by local hikers, mountain bikers and equestrians through second-growth forest. It also includes 3 miles of salt-water shoreline on the Strait of Juan



Washington State Parks look to create a master plan for development of Miller Peninsula as the next "destination" state park.

de Fuca and Discovery Bay.

In 2005, the Washington State Parks system began a six-year project to establish one of Washington's next destination state parks, but shelved those plans with a lack of secure funding.

"We did begin some work on developing Miller Peninsula in the mid-2000s; however, the effort was put on hold due to the economy," Anna Gill, communications director for the Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission, said in January.

Those efforts were reinvigorated in the following years, and in November 2019 staff recommended to the state parks commission that they select Miller Peninsula as the next full-service state park.

"The amount of space at Miller Peninsula that is suitable for development provides an unmatched opportunity to explore a full suite of potential state park facilities and amenities, making it the ideal site in which to craft the state park of tomorrow," parks staff noted in its recommendation late last year.

Pre-design and master planning for Miller Peninsula's state park was slated for June while design and construction was tentatively planned for July 2021-June 2022, Gill said in January.

Design and construction, however, was contingent on funding.

In April, Clallam County commissioners said they would support a state effort to acquire the Jones Trust Property, a 21-acre parcel that includes a

quarter-mile of shoreline that would provide Miller Peninsula State Park users with beach access.

"It is one of the few places in Miller Peninsula where it may be possible to build beach access, since most of the current property is high bank; access to the water will be important for park visitors," the Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program noted in a list of proposed state parks project funding requests for the 2021-2023 biennium.

"There's not a particular easy way to get to the water," planning lead Nikki Fields said.

Park planning

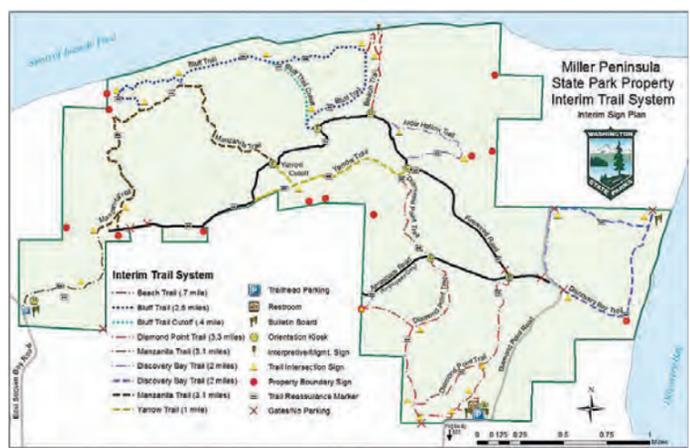
State park board commissioners reviewed plans for Miller Peninsula's park from Fields and business development manager Todd Tatum at a Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission work session in Union in January.

Fields and Tatum said the vision is for the property to be developed as a "destination" park, with users drawn from across the state and region.

State park board commissioner Sophia Danenberg said Miller Peninsula could be a more passive park where users simply enjoy the ecosystem, or a more recreation-based park providing opportunities that Olympic National Park doesn't right now.

Parks commission director Donald Hoch said, "I'd like to think that the property is big enough to do both."

The property would be a complement to what is offered at heavily-used



Miller Peninsula is already home to a widely-used trail system on its 2,800 acres. Maps courtesy of Washington State Parks

nearby parks such as Sequim Bay State Park in Clallam County as well as Fort Worden and Fort Flagler in Jefferson County, state park officials said.

Since plans fell through to grow the state park in the mid-2000s, Miller Peninsula has seen some development. Volunteers added signage on the property's 20-mile trail system, one that is popular among hikers, mountain bikers and equestrians.

In 2014 and (finalized in) 2016, Hoch approved an interim trails plan for the peninsula property that included input from a Trail Advisory Group representing hiking, biking and equestrian trail users and neighbors.

In addition, the Peninsula Trails Coalition in 2017 developed a trailhead at the adjacent Diamond Point Road to go along with the addition of two more large sections of the Olympic Discovery Trail.

State park staff have done some work on a trailhead plan and some trail mapping, Fields said, but that there is plenty of work to be done in planning stages, including a site analysis and cost estimates as part of an overall master plan.

How to connect with the Olympic Discovery Trail will be part of the overall plan, she said.

"(We) also need a name for the park; Miller Peninsula is just a placeholder name," Fields said.

State officials collected comments at several public meetings in the mid-2000s, Fields noted, and that

staff would be considering those "core values" identified at that time as they develop plans for the park.

In the park's original concept, part of the State Parks' Centennial 2013 Plan, staff requested an initial \$12 million from the state budget to "plan, permit, and construct basic facilities for the park," and estimated that "overall property development cost (at Miller Peninsula) could exceed \$40 million."

The Miller Peninsula Vision report notes that public comments encourage park facilities, trails and other property changes to be restrained to 10-20 percent of overall site, with the remaining 80-90 percent left undeveloped.

"There are some members of the public who don't want to see this property be developed," Fields noted.

Tatum said state officials will look to host more information-gathering presentations in coming months, but following a question from Hoch, the parks commission director, Tatum noted that public comments gathered at meetings in the mid-2000s would also be utilized.

"We're not looking to start from scratch," he said. "There was a lot of good work done; a lot of it is still valid."

However, Tatum said, staff will look to survey more park users throughout the state when considering a vision for Miller Peninsula.

"(We're looking at) getting more voices of people throughout the state, not just local information," he said.

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Three local Master Gardeners get Golden Trowel honors

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Over the last decade, a trio of local Master Gardeners have accumulated more than 5,200 volunteer hours of gardening education.

For thie efforts, the Clallam County Master Gardeners honored Betsy Burlingame, Bev Dawson and Bruce Pape with the organization's Golden Trowel Award at a Sept. 9 Zoom meeting.

The Golden Trowel Award, initiated in 2005, is presented each year to Master Gardeners who have been active in the organization for more than five years, dedicated more than 750 hours of volunteer time and demonstrated outstanding service in promoting education and environmental stewardship.

Burlingame, Dawson and Pape have collectively offered thousands of hours working with home gardeners to help identify and offer solutions to plant problems, provide research for area weed problems and support the Master Gardener Foundation of Clallam County's Woodcock Demonstration Garden.

Each honoree received an engraved rock paver that has been installed in a pathway at the Woodcock Demonstration Garden in Sequim, to go alongside the more than 80 previous award recipients.

About the honorees

Burlingame is a Washington State University graduate with degrees in psychology and business. She moved to Clallam County in 1997 to pursue her professional career as contracting officer/procurement specialist for Battelle Memorial Institute, a marine research laboratory in Sequim.

She has years of gardening and farming experience and became a Master Gardener in 2010. She shares her knowledge at local plant clinics and mentors new Master Gardeners. She has served as the secretary to the Master Gardener Foundation of Clallam County Board of Directors, potting shed area supervisor at the Woodcock Demonstration Garden and chair of the foundation's annual plant sale.

Dawson is a retired credit union



Master Gardeners (from left) Betsy Burlingame, Bruce Pape and Beverly Dawson receive their lifetime achievement Golden Trowel Award on Sept. 9. Photo by Marilyn Elliott

executive from Southern California. She moved to Clallam County in 2006 where she has transformed a 1-acre, undeveloped lot into a garden that was featured on the 2014 Petals and Pathways Home Garden Tour.

A Master Gardener since 2010, she has made substantial contributions toward the maintenance and improvements at the Woodcock Demonstration Garden, local Master Gardeners said. She chairs ticket sales for the Foundation's Petals and

Pathways Home Garden Tour. Additionally, she is the past president and current treasurer of the Port Angeles Garden Club.

Pape taught classes in environmental planning, water resources and soils as an Assistant Professor at Central Michigan University for 30 years. A Port Angeles resident since 2011, he is a 2012 graduate of the Master Gardener Training. Since that time, he has led a group of Master Gardeners in work with the Roadside Vegetation Management Team, a cooperative project with the Clallam County Noxious Weed Office and Clallam County Road Commission.

He also has presented local seminars on gardening and climate change. He manages the orchard area at the Woodcock Demonstration Garden.

The Master Gardener Program provides public education in gardening and environmental stewardship generated from research at WSU and other university systems.

For more information, call 360-565-2679.

Plant your own gourmet garlic



by Rita Dinger

Garlic (*Allium sativum*) is among the oldest documented plants cultivated by man. The Sumerians carved recipes containing garlic on stone tablets 5,000 years ago, and it certainly was grown and used as both a food and medicine long before then.

There are two subspecies of garlic: softneck and hardneck. Softneck, or artichoke, garlic is characterized by many layers of cloves in the bulb, and a soft, pliable group of leaves at the top of the bulb. Softnecks are difficult to peel but they store for a long time, up to one year. They typically have 12 to 20 cloves per bulb and taste either fiery hot or mild, depending on the variety.

Hardneck, or topsetting,

garlic has only one layer of cloves that surrounds a woody flower stalk. Hardnecks are easy to peel, but store for only 3-6 months. They produce four to 10 cloves, and generally are more highly flavored than the softnecks. (By the way, elephant garlic is a leek, not true garlic.)

There are more than 100 named varieties of garlic available, largely through catalogs.

See the sidebar for examples of softneck and hardneck varieties; try several. If you are going to mail order, do it early in the growing season as they tend to sell out. One pound of garlic bulbs yields around 60 hardneck or 80 softneck cloves.

You should determine how much to plant by how much you want to eat, give away and save for next year's planting stock. It is important to buy certified planting stock, not supermarket garlic, so you

don't introduce viruses or disease into your garden.

October is an ideal time for planting. Choose a well-drained site that gets more than six hours of late spring sunlight and do not plant where onions, garlic, leeks or shallots have been grown in the last two years. Sandy loams with organic matter are ideal.

Before planting break apart the garlic bulb into individual cloves; this is called "clove popping." This generally takes longer than the actual planting, and should be done no more than a day or two before planting, because popping signals the cloves to start growing.

Slice through the layers of bulb wrappers with your fingernail and then put gentle pressure on the cloves until they separate from the bulb. It's important not to bruise the cloves as you separate them. Always discard soft, damaged or moldy bulbs.

Plant the largest cloves and use the smallest ones for dinner; the big cloves will give you the biggest bulbs nine months later when you harvest. Plant the cloves 1-2 inches deep (pointed end up), and 4 to 6 inches apart in rows at least 9 inches apart, as you will need to weed between the plants and rows. Orient your rows north-south. Identify each variety with a row marker.

Mulch the newly planted garlic; mulch moderates soil moisture and temperature and keeps down weeds.

Some of the garlic may sprout in the fall; don't worry, it will survive winter. You,

too, can survive winter by researching some new recipes to try with your home-grown gourmet garlic.

Rita Dinger was a much loved and respected Clallam County Master Gardener who passed away in 2016. She taught many local gardeners about growing garlic (and herbs) and her prize-winning

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garlic was legendary. On the North Olympic Peninsula, growing garlic is right up there with growing lavender and dahlias, so we offer this often requested article once again.

Garlic comes in dozens of varieties, in either hardneck or softneck form. Photo by Sandy Cortez



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Sprinklers help contain fire in Sequim apartment complex

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A sprinkler system inside Elk Creek Apartments, 90 S. Rhodefer Road, helped extinguish a fire inside a second floor apartment on Monday evening, reports Clallam County Fire District 3 officials.

A little before 7 p.m. on Sept. 21, firefighters responded to a tenant reporting flames inside an apartment while an adjacent neighbor also reported it filling with smoke.

Firefighters said they saw smoke coming from the second story window, and audible fire alarms alerted the complex to evacuate.

Elk Creek's sprinkler system contained the fire to a single room, fire officials report, and firefighters' initial attack on the

fire stopped the fire entirely a short time later.

Smoke damage was contained to the initial unit but water damage was reported in that unit and the one below it on the bottom floor.

No injuries were reported and the Olympic Peninsula Chapter of the American Red Cross came to assist the displaced tenants.

Assistant Fire Chief Dan Orr said Tuesday the estimated damage is \$100,000 mostly from smoke.

Cause of the fire was accidental, he said, and that there was a large volume of belongings in the apartment.

Five people were displaced due to the fire, two in the main apartment and a family of three below.

"The sprinkler did a good job of containing the fire," Orr said.



A fire was contained to one room in a second story apartment on Monday with smoke damage reported in the one apartment and water damage in it and the apartment below. Photo courtesy of Clallam County Fire District 3

Hearing

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He added that if he retained jurisdiction on the proposed 16,806-square-foot medical facility's application, a "reviewing court would very likely overturn my final decision and remand the appeal back to the city council to do the entire process over again."

"Ultimately, correcting course at this time is the only way to prevent what would otherwise be an even more significant unnecessary loss of time and money for all parties," Olbrechts wrote.

Reaction

Sequim city attorney Kristina Nelson-Gross said the city wouldn't comment on Olbrechts' email until he issues an official decision.

Olbrechts wrote that in the coming days he'll issue a temporary (interlocutory) order followed by a final decision "that addresses the

other jurisdictional arguments made by the parties, to avoid remands in case a reviewing court disagrees with my determination."

Jodi Wilke, chairman for Save Our Sequim, a group in favor of opioid use disorder treatment but not at the tribe's proposed location and scale, said they're "really excited and happy" with Olbrechts' decision.

"We see this as confirmation as to what S.O.S. has been saying all along. All we want is the city to follow their own municipal code, which we believe they haven't done," she said.

"The hearing examiner's confirmation means we're on the right track."

Olbrechts wrote "the council may still have the option of amending its code to delegate decision making responsibility on SEPA appeals to the hearing examiner."

Wilke said Olbrechts will send the city council a tool box from his decision and they must consider

what to do next with it.

"What is the city council going to do? Clearly city staff have a different attitude and vision about this," she said.

Brent Simcosky, Jamestown's director of health services, said despite Olbrechts' email, he "doesn't see the result being any different" with the application eventually being approved.

Under the city's current process, Barry Berezowsky, Sequim director of community development, approved the project in May, which led to the appeals process and eventually the hiring of Olbrechts to review the application.

Simcosky said the tribe's clinic that would dispense daily doses of methadone, Suboxone and Vivitrol for patients with opioid-use disorder is vested and that even if the application goes to the city council, any decision on it must be based on Washington state and city code.

"They legally have to go by what the law says," Simcosky said.

"We're disappointed (Olbrechts) has to make this ruling so (city councilors) can fix a technicality."

Process

Aside from "one poorly written (Sequim Municipal Code) section to the contract, the city's permit processing framework overall is designed to limit Hearing Examiner review to ministerial permits and minor permitting decisions," Olbrechts wrote.

He added that the city council designated "significant discretionary decision making to itself" the courts in the 1970s "recognized that SEPA can be used to change ministerial permits into discretionary ones, by giving decision makers broad authority to mitigate environmental impacts."

"This is likely why not one but two (city code) permit processing provisions expressly assign SEPA appellate review to the city council," he wrote.

Wilke said it's unclear what sec-

tion Olbrechts is referring to in the code, because her group believes there are many areas of concern.

Olbrechts said appeals were consolidated correctly under the city's design review decision, but "SEPA has never been construed as requiring a threshold appeal to be consolidated with the last permit for a proposal."

He wrote, "Threshold appeals are routinely processed and resolved prior to the application of building permits."

Berezowsky issued the tribe a building permit on June 29 but because the tribe is appealing the city's conditions regarding a Mitigated Determination of Non-significance environmental review, and he previously said "they can't start until those issues are resolved."

That may have happened if the application was approved through the hearing examiner process, but now the application awaits Olbrechts' ruling and potential next steps through the city council.

Health

From page A-1

Separately, the recent COVID-19 patient who was hospitalized in the county was discharged on Monday, she said.

Clallam County has had 236 COVID-19 cases since March, with eight active infections and one death, according to Clallam County Public Health data.

Clallam County's rate is 17 cases per 100,000 for the past two weeks as of Monday, Unthank said.

Jefferson County hasn't had a new case since an asymptomatic one was discovered Sept. 11 during a pre-procedural test, and it has had a total of 71 infections since March, with one active case and no deaths, said Dr. Tom Locke, the county health officer.

Jefferson County's rate is

3.13 cases per 100,000 for the past two weeks, and it may drop to zero this week if no new cases are found, Locke said.

Both health officers are concerned about a possible uptick in cases as a result of the rally on behalf of Republican gubernatorial candidate Loren Culp on Sept. 19 at the Extreme Sports Park west of Port Angeles.

Reports indicated a crowd of more than 1,300 people who were largely unmasked and not following social distancing guidelines, although being outside may have provided some benefit to preventing spread of COVID-19, health officials said.

If either county sees cases that originate from the rally, they will most likely appear starting next week, and the counties will be monitoring them for two additional weeks, Locke and Unthank said.

"At least the reports that we got, a lot of people were congregating, they were in close proximity, and they weren't wearing masks," Locke said. "That's what causes outbreaks. If no one at that rally had COVID-19, then nothing will happen. If people were at the rally and were carrying the infection, then we can start to see cases."

If someone did contract the virus at the rally, Unthank urges them to get tested and communicate with Peninsula health departments, saying they won't be judged by staff for how they may have contracted it.

"We were helped by the fact that it was outdoors, but when you see large groups of people close together and unmasked, there is certainly a risk for transmission," Unthank said. "If anyone gets sick who was at that rally, we will be more than happy to support you and take care of you."

"We don't care how you got COVID-19, we just want to make sure that you're safe," she added. "If you did go to a gathering of any size that wasn't distanced, it's still really important to get tested, and you won't be judged if you get a call from a contact tracer, no matter how you got it."

County office closes after exposure

A Clallam County government office housing Department of Community Development, environmental health and public works employees that was shut down Monday was scheduled to re-open today after two cases of COVID-19 were diagnosed among county staff.

County Commissioners Chairman Mark Ozias said commissioners were expected to meet on Sept. 22 to discuss the office's closure and "what the public can expect in terms of the operation of the courthouse and various departments of the courthouse."

A sign posted on the first-floor office Monday notified the public that, "Out of an abundance of caution for

everyone's safety this department is closed because of a COVID-19 related exposure. This office will reopen Tuesday, September 22, 2020."

Additional DCD and public works staff are in other areas of the courthouse that remained open for services.

Some courthouse offices remained closed to walk-in traffic but open to providing services. Law and justice offices remained open.

Unthank notified county staff of the COVID-19 cases in an email Monday at 12:18 p.m.

"The first case has been fully investigated and all of those who were exposed have been notified and received quarantine instructions," she said.

"The second case is currently being investigated by the department of public health and all of those who were exposed will be notified and receive quarantine instructions by the end of the business day (Monday)."

"These cases are unrelated and there is no evidence of transmission in county facilities at this time. There is additionally no evidence of any

public exposures related to these cases at this time."

Unthank said her office does not release information about the departments or workplaces of people diagnosed or infected "out of respect for the privacy rights of those diagnosed and exposed."

County Administrator Rich Sill said Unthank ordered that the DCD-public works-environmental health section be closed.

Whether it reopens today "will be determined by her and her contact [tracing] staff," Sill said.

"We will just wait and see."

DCD Director Mary Ellen Winborn said she was self-quarantining Monday and would not comment on the level or nature of the exposure among the office's employees. She had not been notified her office was scheduled to reopen today.

Ozias said he did not know of the COVID-19 exposure until after he arrived at the courthouse and saw that the office was closed.

A sign was placed notifying the public later Monday, he said.

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SEQUIM SCHOOL DISTRICT WELCOMES STUDENT SCHOOL BOARD REPRESENTATIVES



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The Sequim School District has named Alisa Bibaj as the Junior student representative to the district's board. She joins senior, Olivia Preston, who continues after serving last school year as a Junior. Student representatives hold non-voting seats on the board, they participate in board discussions but cannot make motions, vote, hold board offices or attend executive sessions.

PDC: Mayor did not violate state law with QAnon comments

BY MICHAEL DASHIELL
Sequim Gazette

Staff with the Public Disclosure Commission found that Sequim mayor William Armacost did not violate a state law when he talked about QAnon on a radio broadcast in late August.

A complaint filed by Sequim resident Karen Hogan on Sept. 6 asserted that Armacost may have violated RCW 42.17A.555 for “misuse of public facilities in support or opposition of a candidate or ballot proposition.”

On Sept. 15, PDC officials said that Armacost was not in violation of that state law.

“The discussion did not support or oppose any candidate in Washington State or any federal candidate, nor any Washington State ballot proposition or political action committee in the State of Washington,” state PDC compliance coordinator Tabitha Townsend wrote in a review of the complaint.

“However, the discussion did involve Mayor Armacost offering personal opinions on issues that did not appear to have any nexus to City of Sequim official business.

“Based on these findings, staff has determined that in this instance, there is no evidence supporting the finding of a violation of RCW 42.17A.555.”

The RCW notes that “no public facilities can be used by or authorized to be used by any state or local public employee, elected or appointed official, directly or indirectly, to either support or oppose any candidate or ballot proposition.”

During an Aug. 27 “Coffee With the Mayor” program

on KSQM 91.5 FM, Armacost spoke of his support of QAnon and directed listeners to a video on the conspiracy theory that ends in promoting President Donald Trump, the Republican nominee for president, who is seeking a second term.

On Sept. 9, Armacost and Sequim City Manager Charlie Bush released a joint statement regarding the mayor’s comments about QAnon and his recent trip to the Sturgis Motorcycle Rally.

Armacost said it was “inappropriate” to speak about his support of QAnon during a radio broadcast in late August, given that he was representing the City of Sequim.

Bush said the intent of the “Coffee” meetings — previously held in person but moved to the airwaves in May because of the COVID-19 pandemic — is to discuss issues specific to the City of Sequim. “Any responses to questions reflecting the personal opinion of the mayor do not reflect policy positions of the Sequim City Council or the organization,” Bush said in the statement.

Armacost said in the Sept. 9 press release: “To date, as mayor I have kept my personal life separate from my professional life and, as a result, I will not comment as mayor on my personal social media presence.

“While I believe that people should fight for truth and freedom, it was inappropriate to respond to this question as mayor during a program designed to talk about City of Sequim issues.”



ARMACOST

City secures some federal funds for Simdars Interchange

Stakeholders to ask legislators for full design, construction costs

BY MATTHEW NASH
Sequim Gazette

Sequim city councilors unanimously agreed last week to a partial match of federal funds to secure more than \$500,000 toward design of the U.S. 101 East Sequim Corridor Project.

The approximate \$20 million project would build on and off ramps at the Simdars Road interchange on U.S. Highway 101, construct a frontage road for Palo Alto and Happy Valley Roads along the highway to the new interchange, and add landscaping to the Sequim entryway.

Sequim Public Works Director David Garlington told city councilors at their Sept. 14 meeting a deadline was moved up and they had until that Wednesday (Sept. 16) to agree to a Local Agency Agreement with the Washington Department of Transportation to secure federal Surface Transportation Block Grant funds.

The agreement requires an \$85,838 match to receive \$550,000 in funding.

“The Local Agency Agreement ensures in the near term, we won’t lose the money,” Garlington said.

He added that the city was initially proposing obligating the funds under the city’s name rather than WSDOT as an identical project, but the agreement allows funding to remain in place.

Deputy Mayor Tom Ferrell said, “I don’t know what we’re waiting for. This is such an economic development opportunity.”

Garlington said WSDOT



An approximate mile of proposed construction would complete the Simdars Road interchange and create a frontage road for Happy Valley and Palo Alto Roads to the interchange. Map courtesy of City of Sequim

officials weren’t going to obligate funds for design work because of concerns for issues elsewhere, so the city stood a chance of losing the funds.

In 2019, \$1.3 million was appropriated through the state legislature to WSDOT to begin design work.

However, Garlington said, little to no work or funds are being designated unless the entities secure design and

construction funding in the 2021 legislative session.

He said the city plans to seek full funding, and that the project has been in the City of Sequim’s Transportation Plan for many years.

“A big element (for legislators) is that they see money (for the project) is coming from more than one source,” Garlington said.

He said a good selling point is that the project potentially

uses funds from federal, state and local resources.

Completion of the Simdars interchange was abandoned in 2000 after funding was exhausted for the U.S. Highway 101 project.

City staff said if the project continues to be funded, staff will transfer design funds to WSDOT, but if funding disappears, the federal block funds will be released to another regional project.

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COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Bubble awaits returning Peninsula College hoops players

BY MICHAEL CARMAN

Olympic Peninsula News Group

A preseason unlike any other will hopefully serve as a prelude to the return of Peninsula College men's and women's basketball games in 2021.

That's the takeaway from a Port Angeles Chamber of Commerce Zoom meeting featuring Pirates women's basketball coach Alison Crumb and men's head coach Donald Rollman held Wednesday.

Peninsula College basketball players will return to Port Angeles in the coming weeks before fall quarter begins in remote fashion Sept. 28 to participate in small group workouts and focused team bonding sessions in advance of the coming season.

The Pirates have introduced the concept of "Bubble Ballers," creating a camp-type atmosphere to keep players active and engaged.

Outdoor training, weight training and shooting workouts, study hall and small group workouts are all planned.

"The idea behind the training schedule is to keep players busy," Crumb said. "We want to keep some structure, want to keep to local and state protocols, but want to keep them busy and not in their homes looking for something to do."

In July, the Northwest Athletic Conference (NWAC) announced initial return-to-play guidelines that swapped Peninsula College's fall soccer season for a spring schedule and



Donald Rollman, Peninsula College men's basketball head coach, talks with players during a time-out. Photo courtesy of Peninsula College

pushed the beginning of the winter basketball season from November to early 2021.

Last month, revised guidelines were released, a color-coded phased system that requires every member school to provide return-to-campus protocols including: identification of COVID-19 team and the COVID-19 liaison; authority from local health authority and are following state and local health authority guidelines; plan for sanitization, acquiring PPE, handling a positive/symptomatic individual, monitoring symptoms, contact tracing and an education plan for student-athletes, staff, and coaches, and game management.

The revised guidelines also pushed the NWAC Basketball Tournament to Memorial Day Weekend and the soccer championships to June 4-6.

This phased system will be in place beginning Sept. 28 until players leave town in November for the holidays and when players return to school Jan. 2.

The phases are relatively strict for college students and call for an initial 14-day shelter-in-place, followed by another 14-day period highlighted by small group trainings of no more than 10 people. Modified team practices can follow, and full-team practices and games without fans will open the season.

The return of spectators is dependent upon "successful development of widely available treatment including prophylactic immunotherapy, coupled with widespread, effective vaccination."

"I think our players are really going to take this seriously; they've com-



Peninsula College women's basketball coach Alison Crumb, right, speaks with her players during a game in February 2020. File photo by Keith Thorpe/Olympic Peninsula News Group

municated to me how fragile this is," Crumb said. "They have that new fire to come back and protect it. Me too, I can't wait to get out of my living room. It's getting bleak."

The Bubble Ballers concept will be continually reinforced, Rollman said.

"The fact that anything you do in the community, or myself and our coaches do, is potentially putting others at risk. That's the message we have tried to communicate, they need to be on point. We are going to be spending a lot of time together and normally I despise video games, but they can play those together after they've gotten their work done."

Crumb said the teams also would feature remote speakers on topics

away from the game of basketball such as social justice and mental health.

"(We plan to present) things that get them thinking about what is going on in the world, provide something outside of basketball to get them more stimulated," Crumb said.

All of this, while understanding and accepting personal responsibility, she said.

"If they are not safe, then our season is not safe," Crumb said. "We are hoping with that daily responsibility they will understand what it means to be safe and taking ownership of this season. That's how we can have a season if coaches and players take ownership."

COMMUNITY SCOREBOARD

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• Sept. 20

13 Cruiser — 1. Brian Belbin, 2. Jackson Beal, 3. Anna Cook

17-20 Cruiser — 1. Kyle "The Killer Korndog" Esmay, 2. Caleb Pellham, 3. Mason Beal

41-45 Cruiser — 1. David Archibald, 2. Mark Brown, 3. Shellie Belbin

5 & Under Novice — 1. Willie Smith III, 2. Tydus Woods, 3. Bennett Gray, 4. Isla Brown

7 Novice — 1. Bradan Gray, 2. Easton Berkheiser, 3. Callianne Collins

9 Novice — 1. Sam Brown, 2. Cameron Collins, 3. Maverick Williams, 4. Olive Rossi, 5. Grady Pinell

11 Novice — 1. Maxwell Winn, 2. Karsten McClure, 3. Ryker Rossi

15 Novice — 1. Piper Williams, 2. Kodiak Adkins, 3. Jaedyn Halladay

10 Intermediate — 1. Kawika Deboer, 2. Thomas "The Train" Dalgarno, 3. Graysen Pinell

11 Intermediate — 1. Ethan "Bam Bam" Barbre, 2. Levi Bourm, 3. Anna Cook

12 Intermediate — 1. Hayden Desilva, 2. Kolby Charles, 3. Hayden Berkheiser
13 Expert — 1. Brian Belbin, 2. Jackson Beal, 3. Josiah Ringstad

14 Expert — 1. Cash "Money" Coleman, 2. Carter Berkheiser, 3. Zachary Pinell

15 Expert — 1. Andy Goldsbary, 2. Jacy Moore, 3. Mason Beal

17-20 Expert — 1. Trenton Moore, 2. Colby Groves, 3. Joel "Rad Dad" Moore, 4. Joseph Pinell.

Golf

• Men's Club, Long & Short, Sept. 9

First flight — Gross: 1. Jeff Jones-Brendan Winger, 142; 2. Frank Catelli-Danny Romero, 149; 3. Ron Grant-Everett Thometz, 157. Net: 1. Richard Clendening-Arni Fredrickson, 136; 2. Richard Brahams-Sid Krumpel, 146; 3. Mark Hash-Leonard Hirschfeld, 150

Second flight — Gross: 1. Karl Brehm-Don Flores, 158; 2. Justin Ewing-Gary Syme, 164; 3. Sean Butcher-Michael Elliott, 166. Net: 1. Richard Clendening-Steve Lewis, 138;

2. Karl Brehm-Bob Gunn, 145; 3. John Nally-Joe Tomita, 146.
• Merchant's League, Sept. 10

Individual results:
First flight — Gross: 1. Jeff Jones, 33; 2. (tie) Rick Hoover and Jake McCormick, 38; 4. (tie) Frank Catelli and Chuck Parrish, 39. Net: 1. (tie) Justin Ewing, Shane Quinet and Chad Williams, 34; 4. (tie) Vern Ahrendes, David McCormick and Shane Price, 36

Second flight — Gross: 1. (tie) Cyndi Carpine and Peter Young, 42; 3. Jacob Tweeter, 43; 4. Ken Hagan, 46. Net: 1. (tie) Ben Neff and Don Purser, 32; 3. (tie) Kim Mishko and Stacie Neff, 34

Team results:
1. Jamestown Ace, 137; 2. SkyRidge, 138; 3. CAD Pro Shop, 139; 4. (tie) Air Flo (143), Bill Mair Heating (145) and Dungeness Tile (147); 7. (tie) Mannor Enterprises (147) and Sequim Plumbing, 163; 9. Stymie's, 273; 10. Eric's RV, 336; 11. Castell Insurance, 400.

• Men's Club, Stableford competition, Sept. 16

First flight — Gross: 1. Ron Grant, 36; 2. Steve Gish, 33; 3. Danny Romero, 41. Net: 1. Justin Ewing, 38; 2. (tie) Jim Jaquino and Grant Ritter, 36

Second flight — Gross: 1. Paul Langdon, 29; 2. Sean Ryan, 26; 3. Karl Dryfhout, 26. Net: 1. Jac Osborn, 40; 2. Darryl Ness, 39; 3. Sean Butcher, 37

Third flight — Gross: 1. (tie) Bill Richardson and Gary Syme, 22; 3. Ray Ballantyne, 20. Net: 1. Joe Tomita, 41;

2. Bill Rucker, 38; 3. Barry Tuteur, 34
Skins: Ewing, Richardson, Rucker, Syme.

Sunland Golf & Country Club

• Couples Weekly Play, Net One/Two Best Ball Four-some, Sept. 8

1. Cyndi Carpine-Mike Mullikin-Dan O'Claray-Geri O'Claray

KPs: Carpine.
• Men's Club, Front or Back Nine, Sept. 9

Gross: 1. Jay Tomlin, 36; 2. Mike Mullikin, 37
Net: 1. Wayne Nordyke, 29.5; 2. Mike Leftwich, 32.5; 3. Gary Peterson, 33.

• 2020 Knights of Columbus Charity Golf Tournament, Sept. 12

1. Rick Hoover-Jeremy Weist-Randy Wescott-Sabrina Wescott, 61; 2. Clipper Elder-Ron Graham-Brandon Marchefka-Dan Marchefka, 62; 3. Robert Nute-Bob Robb-Cheryl Robb-Dominic Riccobene, 63; 4. Rob Miller-Gary Peterson-David Pott, 64; 5. Michael Elliott-Bob Gunn-John Nally-Darryl Ness, 65;

6. (tie) Bill Alcayaga-Bob Greeg-Gene Mattson-Phil Turner; Mort Cook-Mark Lunderville-Tom Lunderville-Dan Smith, and Frank Herodes-Graden Kubas-Mary Kubas Meyer-Bobbie Piety, 68.

• Couples Weekly Results, Sept. 15

1. Marsh Carr-Jerry King-Teri King-Wes Stoeker, 127; 2. Ann Hester-Gary Hester-Mark Meythaler-Sherri Meythaler, 129.

• Men's Club, Mixer Odd and Even Holes, Sept. 16

1. (tie) Dan Flynn-Jerry King-Roger Mares-David Walp and Tom Chirhart-Michael Leftwich-Roger Olsen-blind draw, 93; 3. Joe McKinnon-Greg Mullikin-Michael Oliver-Gray Petterson, 95

KPs: Flynn, King, McKinnon, Mike Bresnahan.

• SWGA, Score From 100 Yards In, Sept. 17

Silver tees (0-30 hcp.) — Gross: 1. Barbara Foster, 47; 2. Cyndi Carpine, 54. Net: 1. Dana Burback, 33; 2. Alice Myers, 34

Silver tees (31-44 hcp.) — Gross: 1. Cecil Black, 52; 2. Mary Kubas-Myers, 66. Net: 1. Linda Fortney, 24; 2. Marsha Carr, 29.

• Drive For a Cure, Sept. 19

18-Hole Scramble: 1. Dennis Cook-Cheryl Coulter-Mike Mullikin-Jay Tomlin, 52; 2. Linda Case-Judy Flanders-Michael Oliver-Bobbie Piety, 64; 3. Vern Ahrendes-Ray Aldrich-Patrick Anzures-Gerard Nucci, 65; 4. (tie) Frank Herodes-Mary Kubas-Meyer-John Palmeri-Patricia Palmeri; Don Claussen-Jerry King-Dan O'Claray-Wes Stoeker; J.R. Flores-Jeremy Weist-Randy Westcott-Sabrina Westcott, 66

Nine-Hole Scramble: 1. Liz Bernahl-Norm Bernahl-Dawn Brown-Derek Brown, 37

KPs: Coulter, Flanders, Mullikin, Gary Blankenship, Bubba Claussen, Jason Fryer, Marilyn McGrew.

Crazy drive: Flanders, Fryer.

SPORTS BRIEFS

Go Big at The Cedars

The Cedars at Dungeness, 1965 Woodcock Road, hosts the eighth-annual Go Big Tournament, with tee times set for 9 a.m.-noon.

The event is a one-person Scramble with Callaway, gross, and net divisions; all 18 holes have 8-inch cups.

Cost is \$70 per person (\$47 for members and employees), and includes green fees, carts and range balls.

Participants get one \$10 food and \$5 voucher redeemable at Stymie's, Double Eagle or Crab-shack.

For more information or to register, call 360-683-6344.

The Cedars to host Danny Romero Open

The Danny Romero Open Championship, a four-person scramble with Stableford scoring, is set for a 10 a.m. shotgun start on Saturday, Oct. 17, at The Cedars at Dungeness, 1965 Woodcock Road.

Cost is \$85 per person; \$50 members and employees. The fee includes KPs, long drives, straight drives and food.

Registration deadline is Wednesday, Oct. 14.

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SEQUIM GAZETTE

Curt's Crops: Veritable veggie magic at the market

Curt Hickey seems to be able to propagate almost any plant, taking a cutting from almost anything and starting a new plant from it. Vegetable, herb or flower — he possesses what some call the magic touch.

"He gets mad if I bring home flowers purchased from a nursery," says Nancy Vitarius, his wife and No. 1 fan.

"He says, 'Why did you do that? I could have started that for you.'"

Guests at the Sequim Farmers & Artisans Market are lucky to witness the weekly culmination of



Check out a variety of vegetable at Curt's Crops booth at the Sequim Farmers & Artisans Market through October. Submitted photo



WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE MARKET?

Emma Jane Garcia

Hickey's plant-speak proficiency as Curt's Crops. Each Saturday, Hickey puts forth a brilliant display of lovingly and attentively grown vegetables.

"You name it, Curt grows it," Vitarius says. "Potatoes, squash, garlic, green beans, broccoli, Brussels sprouts..."

Hickey possesses a particular enthusiasm for hot crops, or warm-season vegetables that depend upon both warm soil and high temperatures. By bringing a multitude of tomatoes, cucumbers and peppers to Sequim City Hall's plaza, Curt's Crops has established a unique niche in the Sequim market family.

"We've found that people really come to our booth expecting those warm weather vegetables," Vitarius says.

A recent addition to the market as of this season, Hickey and Vitarius say they appreciate the unique opportunities the Sequim Farmers & Artisans Market provides to local farms.

"It's a good outlet for people to share their love of growing," Vitarius says. "Customers know where your produce is coming from and they know that it's fresh and not being shipped a thousand miles or wasting valuable resources to get to them."

Curt's Crops originated in Bozeman, Mont., where Hickey ran an established organic mixed vegetable operation that provided fresh produce to markets, co-ops and restaurants.

In alignment with his love for local food, Hickey primarily worked as a fly fisherman guide, leading river fishing tours along the Yellowstone River every day throughout the summers. Vitarius worked as an administration assistant.

After raising two sons, Hickey and Vitarius chose to move to Sequim, led by Hickey's passion for farming prompted. He was drawn to the long growing season and temperate climate of the

Sequim Farmers & Artisans Market

Open: 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 26

Location: Sequim Civic Center Plaza, downtown Sequim

More info: manager@sequimmarket.com

On the web: www.sequimmarket.com

Olympic Peninsula, relishing the opportunity to cultivate a more diverse array of vegetables.

Upon his arrival to Clallam County, Hickey initially centered his growing practices around producing food for just the couple.

"The problem is, he really doesn't know how to grow for just two people," Vitarius says, laughing. "So that's where I said, 'You know what, now you have the time. I know you didn't plan on growing commercially anymore. But we should try selling what we have here in Sequim.'"

The couple discovered a renewed passion towards commercial vegetable production.

Curt's Crops uses no-spray, organic growing practices, with Hickey prioritizing thorough crop

rotation, soil health, hand weeding and tilling, and seed-saving.

Prompted by their following garnered in their first season with SFAM, Curt's Crops is looking forward to the future with goals of expanding their offerings next season, with a focus on continuing to meet the needs of the Sequim community.

Supporting small food producers is more important than ever. The Sequim Farmers & Artisans Market is thrilled to witness the expansion of local food producers and invites the community to lend support to these efforts by visiting Curt's Crops, and the rest of the SFAM vendor family, every Saturday from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Sequim Farmers & Artisans Market, located at Sequim Civic Center plaza.

Emma Jane Garcia is Marketing Manager for the Sequim Farmers & Artisans Market. See www.sequimmarket.com.

BUSINESS NEWS

Tedesco's adjust hours

Tedesco's Italian Fresh, 210 W. Washington St., is resuming winter hours, staff said last week.

The restaurant is open 4-8 p.m. Wednesday-Sunday, closed Mondays and Tuesdays.

See menus at tedescosfresh.com. For more information, call 360-504-3821.

Nelson, Boyd named 'Super Lawyers'

Attorneys Deborah Nelson and Jeffrey Boyd from Nelson Boyd Attorneys were recently selected 2020 Washington Super Lawyers.

Super Lawyers, part of Thomson Reuters, is a rating service of lawyers who attain a high degree of peer recognition and professional achievement. The annual selections are made by a statewide survey of lawyers, an independent research evaluation of candidates and peer reviews by practice area.

Nelson is a past president of the Washington State Association for Justice and a past president of the Council of Presidents of the American Association for Justice. She has been named a Super Lawyer each year since 2003 and was the first lawyer on the North Olympic Peninsula to receive this honor.

Boyd is a member of the Board of Governors of the Washington State Association for Justice. He is licensed to practice law in both Ohio and Washington. He moved to Washington state in 2009 and has been named a Super Lawyer every year since 2012.



Attorneys Jeffrey Boyd and Deborah Nelson from Nelson Boyd Attorneys were recently named 2020 Washington Super Lawyers. Submitted photo

Employers add more jobs in August, unemployment rate falls

BY EMPLOYMENT SECURITY DEPARTMENT

Washington state's economy added 19,800 jobs in August and the state's preliminary seasonally adjusted monthly unemployment rate for August decreased from 10.2 percent to 8.5 percent according to the Employment Security Department (ESD).

"The swings in payroll employment have been sizeable since March," said Paul Turek, economist for the department. "Although the jobs market continues to heal, August marks a slow-down from the initial hiring rebound from reopening."

ESD released the preliminary job estimates from the federal Bureau of Labor Statistics as part of its Monthly Employment Report.

Clallam County's unemployment rate is 9.6 percent — 11th-highest among

Washington state's 39 counties.

The department also announced that July's previously reported unemployment rate of 10.3 percent was revised slightly downward to 10.2 percent. July's preliminary estimated gain of 44,500 jobs was revised to a gain of 102,800 jobs.

The national unemployment rate decreased from 10.2 percent in July 2020 to 8.4 percent in August 2020. In August 2019, the national unemployment rate (revised) was 3.7 percent.

ESD paid unemployment insurance benefits to 508,568 people in August, a decrease of 81,833 over the previous month.

State labor force contracts slightly

The state's labor force in August was 3,955,100 — a decrease of 6,000 people from the previous month.

In the Seattle/Bellevue/Everett region, the labor force increased by 6,300 over the same period.

From August 2019 through August 2020, the state's labor force grew by 24,400 and the Seattle/Bellevue/Everett region decreased by 9,900.

The labor force is the total number of people, both employed and unemployed, over the age of 16.

From July 2020 to August 2020, the number of people who were unemployed statewide decreased from 403,700 to 337,800. In the Seattle/Bellevue/Everett region, the number of people who were unemployed decreased from 141,300 to 127,600 over the same period.

Ten industry sectors expanded, one was unchanged and two sectors contracted in August

Private sector employment increased by 6,700 jobs while

government employment increased by 13,100 jobs.

Provided below is a summary of the job gains and losses in all 13 industry sectors:

- Government, +13,100
- Retail trade, +4,300
- Professional & business services, +3,900
- Transportation, warehousing and utilities, +1,000
- Education & health services, +500
- Financial activities, +500
- Construction, +500
- Information, +400
- Leisure and hospitality, +300
- Mining and logging, +100
- Other services, 0
- Wholesale trade, -1,200
- Manufacturing, -3,600

Washington lost an estimated 216,100 jobs from August 2019 through August 2020, not seasonally adjusted. Private sector employment fell by 6.9 percent, down

an estimated 203,200 jobs, while public sector employment fell by 2.3 percent with a net loss of 12,900 jobs.

From August 2019 through August 2020, all 13 major industry sectors contracted except retail trade.

The three industry sectors

with the largest employment losses year-over-year, not seasonally adjusted, were:

- Leisure and hospitality, down 100,500 jobs
- Manufacturing, down 28,800 jobs.
- Education and health service, down 24,700 jobs.

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Deep states

On Sunday, Sept. 6, our almost daily newspaper reported that an Australian man spent over 2-and-a-half (by 57 seconds) covered in ice cubes up to his shoulders. He used visualization and positive thinking to overcome the pain of a body beginning to freeze.

We might ask why someone would put themselves into such a state. He might answer that he was attempting to break his own record of ice immersion or he just wanted to see if he could accomplish a mind-over-matter state.

He achieved both — the latter being of the most interest to me. We've heard about like feats before such as spiritual persons walking barefooted over hot coals. I read an account of a long-time meditator whose pulse and blood pressure were so low that his doctor told him he should be dead.

I admire the concentration and will of those who achieve deep states of concentration and insight that replace the smallest hates and anger with great love and compassion.

'Think for yourself'

It did not pass notice in my state of reflection that the mayor of the City of Sequim was front page news of the same edition of the *Peninsula Daily News*. The mayor, William Armacost, is quoted supporting a theory called QAnon as "a movement that encourages you to think for yourself."

I have resisted looking into QAnon given the bits of information that I've heard, especially the anonymous part. I tend to be highly suspicious of groups that hide their origins, leadership and financial sources. I don't give money to such groups soliciting donations and I'm far less likely to give unconditional loyalty to a theory or "movement" that hides in the shadows.

I was satisfied with my theory that the anonymous individual or group behind QAnon is either Russians in a continuing attempt to disrupt our democracy or a 400-pound guy in his basement just fooling around (you heard it here first).

However, my interest peaked when the *PDN* article went on to describe QAnon as "seeking to expose the 'deep state'" allegedly working against President Donald Trump." That description of government has been around since the president and his cronies, particularly Steve Bannon, brought the deep state theory of government control into the White House.

It's no secret that Trump and Republicans don't like government because it places restrictions on the way businesses do business or taxes on individuals and businesses for social programs such as Medicare and Social Security. Many of us can agree that the bureaucracy can seem impenetrable and impossible to negotiate. I've complained in this column about left-brained people interpreting legislation in ways

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OPINION

SEQUIM GAZETTE



Your Navy must be ready to respond

As we've done for decades, your U.S. Navy conducts critical military readiness activities in the Pacific Northwest, and we are reapplying for authorizations to continue this training and testing for the next seven years, as our current authorizations expire later this year.

It is imperative the Navy continues these activities in the Pacific Northwest to prepare our sailors for dangerous or emergency missions throughout the world, to include large-scale conflicts, maritime security operations, humanitarian assistance, and disaster relief efforts.

Training and testing in the Pacific Northwest's diverse and challenging environment is crucial to prepare Sailors for what they will experience in dynamic real-world situations



GUEST OPINION

Rear Adm. Stephen Barnett

to ensure both their success and survival.

As part of this process, the Navy recently released the Northwest Training and Testing (NWTT) Final Supplemental EIS/OEIS, in which the Navy analyzed the potential environmental impacts associated with proposed future military readiness activities in this region.

These activities are predominately similar to ones that have safely occurred in this area for decades. While Navy activity makes up less than one percent of all Puget Sound vessel traffic and approximately six percent of air traffic in Washington State each year, we are committed to collaborating on best practices while balancing our national defense and environmental stewardship responsibilities.

The Navy implements multiple protective measures during these activities to mitigate impacts on the environment.

The Navy has added new and updated protective measures based on the best available science, recent consultation with Federal and State regulators, and comments from the public.

You can learn about them and find the Navy's updated comprehensive analysis at www.nwtteis.com. The Navy expects to release a Record of Decision on this analysis later this fall.

The bottom line is that the skills your Navy needs to ensure our national security at sea are challenging to master and they require consistent practice in unique environments like the Pacific Northwest.

The lives of our men and women in uniform depend on their readiness, and our Nation depends on them to be prepared to answer the call when the moment arrives.

Rear Adm. Stephen Barnett is Commander of Navy Region Northwest.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Mayor's actions, rhetoric cause of concern

The Sturgis Motorcycle Rally was held Aug 7-16. It has been reported that there have been many hundreds of positive COVID-19 cases, in at least 11 states, directly attributable to this event. Minnesota has reported that more than 50 participants have tested positive and one fatality. An analysis of cell phone data revealed that 61 percent of all U.S. counties had a resident that was one of the more than 400,00 people attending the rally.

One of these misguided, tone-deaf participants was Mayor William Armacost. Unfortunately, Clallam County is now included in this continuing, deadly story.

More recently, on Aug. 27 and Sept. 3, we were informed that Mayor Armacost is a vocal supporter of the QAnon movement. QAnon contends that there are national conspiracies plotting multiple nefarious actions against the United States. No illegal activities have been disclosed that support any of these radical theories.

QAnon has also been linked to racist, anti-Semitic, anti-Muslim and anti-vaccine positions. Armacost has stated that QAnon is a movement fighting for the truth, and that Antifa and Black Lives Matter should be labeled as terrorist threats.

As more is being revealed about this man's disturbing beliefs and troubling personal behavior, the question if he should remain on the city council and mayor of Sequim

needs to be addressed.
Chris Cornell
Sequim

Change needed on council

Generally I believe an elected official's personal views are not germane to their official duties, especially if they work to keep personal lives and professional conduct separate.

However, since the Sequim mayor has chosen to mention his personal conspiracy views while he was representing the city of Sequim that action transcends normal delineation. He alone brought together his personal conspiracy oriented views to his official capacity as mayor of our great city.

If we are not careful and elect people who do not embrace conspiracy theories our wonderful city may soon be added to the list of cities that are run based on unfounded ever shifting conspiracies and intolerance. We all have a right to free speech, but with that right comes responsibility.

The mayor has clearly stated his position, and while I do not add my voice to those requesting his resignation, I will add my voice to anyone who wishes to run against him. Let the voters decide.

While he may have conducted himself professionally and apolitically in the past going forward constituents have to wonder how much of his actions are now based on sound principal and city focused action versus some conspiracy flavor of the day.

Kevin Butler
Sequim

Mayor should resign

When the mayor of Sequim openly, proudly traffics in some of the worst, most ridiculous, most dangerous conspiracy theories, it's time he stepped down from the demands of his office and seeks treatment.

"QAnon" is not a "movement that encourages you to think for yourself."

It is an effort to get you to blindly accept assertions and allegations without thinking about them at all. To think for yourself you have to ask questions about, demand evidence — verifiable, accurate evidence, work through the arguments being made to see if they make any sense.

QAnon is not a "movement of people ... fighting for truth and freedom and ... shin(ing) the light on evils of humanity."

It is a group of people who believe in and spread a variety of baseless conspiracy theories, every one of which has been repeatedly debunked.

It is a group of people for whom facts, evidence, logic — reality — are either irrelevant or are twisted beyond recognition, taken out of context, or constructed in bizarre, nonsensical ways to support their "theories."

Time was when the notions propagated by QAnon were as summarily and properly dismissed as the rantings of your crazy uncle or the drunk at the far end of the bar. That it has now moved into the realm of "acceptable" should be raising all kinds of alarms.

That our mayor is urging others to support it the way he does? Unbelievable.

And just because people disagree with you doesn't mean they're "ignoring" your "constitutional rights."

Ken Stringer
Sequim

Consider Chapman's record, vote for Forde

Since 2010, state spending has increased more than 3.5 times faster than population growth.

Mike Chapman has voted for nine of 10 new taxes, totaling almost \$10 billion.

On his campaign postcard, Chapman boasts he is "second to none" in "supporting our small businesses." Why did the National Federation of Independent Business rate him at 40 percent? (nfib.com/assets/WASHINGTON2018_Voting_Record.pdf)

Chapman told the *Aberdeen's Daily World* he hadn't voted for a "sales tax increase, property tax increase or small business tax increase" as representative.

He voted for three Business and Occupations (B&O) taxes and a Travel Agents (small business) Tax.

In 2019, Chapman approved \$1 billion in yearly payroll taxes on every Washington state worker for a Long-Term Services entitlement providing for only specifically identified workers (washingtonvotes.org/Roll-Call.aspx?ID=790663).

He voted to remove required local voter majority approval for some city councils or county commissioners to impose local sales and use taxes, to allow school districts higher property tax levy limits, from \$1.50 to \$2.50 per

\$1,000 valuation, and voted for real estate excise tax hikes.

He voted to remove for business property exemptions with fewer than 60 lodging units and to tax specific vacation rentals.

One of 11 Democrats, Chapman voted against Senate Bill 6660, titled "Improving fiscal responsibility by replacing the spending limit with additional four-year balanced budget requirements."

Facts speak truth!

Our 24th district needs Sue Forde, campaigning against Mike Chapman. She will use common sense and conscientiously, always consider each legislative bill's effect on all constituents.

Vote for freedom with Sue.
Eric Foth
Port Angeles

Inaction toward violent protesters 'will backfire'

Two police officers were shot in the head at point blank range by an attempted assassin in Los Angeles County, Calif., on Sept. 12. This is something one would expect in Afghanistan; a classic example why a federal law is needed for a mandatory life sentence, or death, for anyone convicted of such crimes.

Minutes later, on camera, "protesters" chanted "We hope they die," while blocking the entrance and exits to the hospital emergency department where these two officers were taken!

Those despicable actions and statements are in agreement with audio and video

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Sequim's outreach during pandemic, continued



AGING SUCCESSFULLY

Crystal Linn

In this month's column, I wish to acknowledge more local organizations and businesses that are making life easier for us during the pandemic.

While many are working hard to help, there is only enough space to mention several. Like last month's column, the companies are listed in alphabetical order.

All Safe Mini Storage (360-234-2681)

The owners and managers continue to work with clients facing financial difficulty to find solutions that allow those clients to retain the use of their units when possible. The company donates or discounts storage space to more than 30 local not-for-profit groups; these organizations are listed on the "Community" page of their website. The company donated money to Sequim Food Bank.

Auto Depot (360-683-7054)

This company offers curbside drop off and pick up, and has created a way for customers to pay via email. Even before the pandemic hit,

employees would clean the inside of all vehicles worked on. Since the pandemic, these employees are being extra careful with the vehicle cleaning.

Dungeness Community Church (360-683-7333)

Members volunteered to help with the soup kitchens and served food to families at Elk Creek Apartments. Members also sewed countless masks for the community. Currently this church, along with several other local churches, are looking towards the future to determine how to best serve our community.

Pegasus Cleaners (360-809-3634)

The owners made masks by the thousands. Because they received so much money and fabric from local individuals they ended up giving masks and mask-holders away for free, and continue to do so. The company is in the process of creating a pick up and delivery service. They donated money to the Sequim Food Bank. (As a side note, Pegasus Cleaners includes dry cleaning, laundry

and sewing/alternation services.)

Sequim Gazette (360-683-3311)

The Gazette office is still closed to the public. There are notices on the front door and there is a box in the back of the building for all non-electronic communications. Behind those closed doors, Mike Dashiell and his (awesome) staff work long hours to keep the Gazette readers updated on what's happening, and to be as encouraging as possible.

Sequim Spice and Tea (360-683-2050)

This local shop expanded the number of ways for customers to place orders. In addition to traditional phone calls, customers may order products via email or Facebook Messenger. The email address is on their business card. Even though the store is now open, employees still provide curbside delivery when requested. In addition, Sequim Spice and Tea's Facebook page has some fun recipes posted.

Shipley Center (360-683-6806)

The café walk-up window at Shipley Center is open for affordable take-out meals from 11a.m.-2 p.m. To place an order call the center any time after 9 a.m. Volunteers for the center have called every one of the (1,600) senior members to make sure everyone is safe, and to offer

resources. The center offers meditation and Tai Chi on-line classes, and is working to add additional programming. At this time there is no cost though donations are always welcome. Call the center for information on foot care.

Sunny Farms (360-683-8003)

The store designated specific shopping hours exclusively for the elderly and medical-fragile. The owners are in constant communication with vendors to ensure local customers have quality product as soon as possible. The store's employees are always upbeat and friendly, even when dealing with rude customers. To quote one of the owners, "We do our best to always smile with our eyes (above our masks)."

Wind Rose Cellars (360-681-0690)

The company donates to not-for-profits by selecting a specific wine for a specific organization. For example, their 2016 Library REaD supports the libraries in Clallam and Jefferson counties. Their 2019 Wild Coast White Albarino supports the Ocean Marine Sanctuary. For every sale of these selected wines Wind Rose Cellars donates a percentage of the sale to the designated organization. The company has done much for the community,

even pre-pandemic. The wine bar has a special on all wines this September.

The UPS Store (360-582-9534)

The main focus of this column was on local organizations as opposed to national companies. However, the employees of the UPS Store in Sequim deserve honorable mention. This pandemic has created a phenomenal increase in traditional mail services with both letters and packages. All store employees work long, hard hours to deal with the increase of mail flow and are always friendly, even when dealing with rude customers. On the Friday afternoon before Mother's Day, Coley, the store manager personally called everyone of the box holders to inform them their stipend checks had arrived.

At the end of next month's column I will announce a new contest which will run longer. Email us your comments at information@crystal-linn.com. I personally respond to each email.

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Cooper

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that make some things in health care more complicated than it needs to be.

What more was there? I did a bit of research on QAnon, the mayor's movement of choice. I was surprised by the stark craziness of the allegations put out by QAnon which, in my view, went far beyond seeking to expose the "deep state" said to be working against Trump.

The more dedicated QAnon loyalist believes that people in powerful positions promote homosexuality and pedophilia. They go a giant step beyond by claiming these powerful persons kill children and drink their blood or eat them. Did I mention claims of Satan worship?

Did I mention that QAnon's take-over, called the "storm," involves Trump and the U.S. military rounding up nonbelievers (that would be Democrats or anyone who doesn't agree), jailing and eventually executing us?

I am astonished at the utter nonsense and lack of pretense of any reasoned and compassionate thought. I am stunned at the wretched willingness of QAnon followers to scare their children. Really, I have no words for such cruelty.

The campaign seems to be deepening under this president and his chosen department leaders.

On the day of this writing, a top official of the Department of Health and Human Services claims the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) is "harboring a

'resistance unit' determined to undermine President Trump." This official's job is to develop messaging about the coronavirus that matches the president's message.

The CDC informs public health officials and physicians according to science, not political strategies and, yes, resists using any other basis for their communication around the diagnosis, treatment and prevention of disease. The president's crony seems to think that push back is "sedition."

Drum roll ...

The deep state is ... science.

If only the so-called "deep state" that worries the president and all the people that want to please him were bureaucrats and molasses-moving processes, but it's so

much more. The enemy of the president, his acting secretaries of cabinets, business and the Republican party is scientific process.

America under this leadership has stopped any effort related to being good stewards of the very resources that are necessary to living including its people. The excuse for deregulating industry's unnecessary pollution of air and water is denial of the science of clean resources and a habitable Earth.

The president stopped any coordinated national effort to control the coronavirus contagion through testing, tracing and quarantining, an approach that would have contained the virus, prevented some deaths and opened businesses. He refuses to insist on COVID-19 prevention measures to protect his

ardent supporters.

His excuse is denial and disavowal of science, scientists and public health experts.

Neither of those two approaches of science denial by our president and his followers are working for us. I'm having a hard time understanding why the president and his cheering mask-less crowds don't recognize how ignorant he and they appear to be.

One of the best, if not the best book, I've read is Viktor E. Frankl's "Man's Search for Meaning." Frankl recounts his experience in a Nazi concentration camp and the days of enduring inhumanity, and yet he kept his vision of life and goodness because, in the end, they could not control his mind.

Our task now is to solidly

reject these arrogant and ignorant claims of superiority whose end point is to torture and destroy some of us. It's a cruel and terrible fantasy in search of victims of fear. It's a threat, not a movement, in which people think for themselves.

Better we search for meaning and truly focusing our minds to fulfill a vision of humanity as compassionate people who are able, care about others and nurture our Earth. That's a movement worth out concentration.

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Letters

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we've seen on national television many times, with protesters chanting, "What do we want? Dead cops! When do we want it? Now!"

In New York City, rioters/anarchists that are arrested are promptly released without bail posted. In Portland, Ore., the local prosecutor is refusing to charge those arrested. Because of this, the Oregon state police have declined a request to assist with the lawlessness and violence in Portland.

This open disdain of and non-enforcement of laws by mayors and prosecutors is disgusting and is actively promoting violence.

Far-left, grievance-driven mayors

and others must think there is political advantage to continuing and encouraging this urban anarchy. Common sense says it will backfire — beginning Nov. 3.

Richard Lohrman
Sequim

What do you value in elected leaders?

We each have our own values, right? Sometimes we cast our votes based on specific characteristics we look for in our candidates of choice that reflect the values we hold dear. There are many qualities that great political leaders have. I hope you can a few that will influence your vote.

Number one on my list is honesty. Being honest can sometimes be difficult because it makes individuals vulnerable. It reveals who we re-

ally are and discloses our mistakes, which gives others the opportunity to criticize or reject openly. Honesty develops character and builds credibility and trust, which are the foundation to evoke confidence and respect from those around you, and in the case of political leaders, teammates and constituents.

We expect our leaders to respect different views, analyze problems and identify the best solutions, based on what is good and right and in the best interest of the nation as a whole. The president is incapable of honesty and fails miserably using this measurement. Honesty is a quality I associate with Joe Biden and Kamala Harris. They will get my vote for president and vice president.

Bill Biery
Sequim

Consider Lincoln's legacy

Abraham Lincoln has been in the news a lot lately. However, it is not because of the great things he has done but rather about people tearing down his statue. Statues for Lincoln and other patriots were not erected thinking they were perfect people, but rather to remember the good things they did for our country.

There's also been talk recently about changing the constitution, abolishing the electoral college, and defunding the police. Lincoln wrote the following about our founding fathers: "They meant to set up a standard maxim for a free society, which should be familiar to all, and revered by all; constantly looked to, constantly labored for, and even though never perfectly obtained, constantly approximated, and thereby con-

stantly spreading and deepening its influence, and augmenting the happiness and value of life to all people of all colors everywhere ... Its authors meant it to be, thank God, it is now proving itself, a stumbling block to those who in after times might seek to turn a free people back into the hateful Paths of despotism."

Now, about 160 years later we are in the "after times" of which Lincoln spoke. There are people who are speaking hateful things and encouraging the rest of us to follow a path that leads to despotism and dictatorship. Do not go there. Work for a society that improves "the happiness and value of life to all people of all colors everywhere." Vote for people who protect you. Vote for people who care!

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2020 Harvest of Hope event going virtual

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With health restrictions in place, Olympic Medical Center Foundation and the Seattle Cancer Care Alliance are moving a popular local fundraiser online.

The 18th-annual Harvest of Hope Wine & Dinner Gala event is set for 5:45 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 2, and will once again raise funds for local cancer patients being treated at Olympic Medical Center.

Organizers say the foundation is looking to raise \$100,000 at the event to purchase equipment that “will keep the Center as a world class treatment center.”

Tickets are \$60 and include dinner and a bottle of wine available for pick up in Sequim or Port Angeles. Or, “Gold Circle” tickets, going

for \$125, buys dinner and three bottles of wine.

Get tickets by going to www.omcf.org or by calling 360-417-7144.

The OMC Foundation has donated more than \$1.6 million dollars to the cancer center in the past three years, including funds for the nearly-completed center expansion.

At the virtual event, representatives from First Federal and the First Federal Community Foundation will present the Rick Kaps Award, an honor that recognizes organizations and individuals who've supported the cancer center.

Attendees will also have an opportunity to help raise funds through the purchase of raffle tickets or live and silent auction items.

Call 360-417-7144.

Tracy Allen Hughes

December 3, 1966 - August 22, 2020

Tracy Allen Hughes, age 53, passed away into the loving arms of God on August 22, 2020 while temporarily living and working in Hyrum, Utah. He was born in Tacoma, WA on December 3, 1966 and spent most of his youth living in Gig Harbor.



Living within a mile of salt water, Tracy grew up loving the outdoors, camping, the woods and creeks, and all types of water sports. Being an avid fly fisherman, he loved fishing rivers at every chance.

After being part of the family business in the construction trades in Gig Harbor, he developed his perfectionist skills in finish carpentry and heavy equipment operation.

He married and moved on to live in Rico, CO and Post Falls, ID, and then settled his family in Fairbanks, AK.

On one of his jobs in northern Alaska, he drove a loaded Belly Dump daily across the frozen Yukon River. In the frigid cold of the winter, as the crew built an air strip out in the bush. He used extreme caution to measure the ice daily so as to not break through the ice and sink into the mile wide river with the equipment. That was the first year his employer didn't lose a piece of heavy equipment in the Yukon River and they finished the job on time.

Later, Tracy moved back to Gig Harbor and then to Sequim. A few years later when his parents moved to Bend, OR, he chose to join them. Since moving to Bend in 2012, Tracy has made many lasting friendships. He worked on numerous construction sites from the Young Life Ranch in Antelope to Bend and beyond.

Over the years he enjoyed playing the guitar, fly fishing, country music, wood carving (and fly fishing), building RC airplanes, evening camp fires (and more fly fishing), and building fly fishing rods.

He loved to cook and create new recipes, loved BBQ (along with fly fishing) and wrote poetry, but most of all he especially loved his children and grandchildren.

Tracy had a big heart, cared deeply for his friends, and family was very important to him. He was often helping others before taking care of himself and his big dream was to develop a youth ranch in Montana for disabled and terminally ill children.

He had a strong faith in God, always had a good word for others, never talked about his health issues, and with his broad skills, experience and knowledge he quickly gained the respect of his co-workers and friends. Tracy's motto developed and became “The Right Thing!”

The medical report stated smoking contributed to his massive heart failure that has now prevented him from being able to be here and share in future milestones with his loved ones. If you're a smoker - quit - now - your life depends on it and those that you love depend upon your life - don't let your life go up in smoke.

In passing Tracy was reunited with his grandparents, his nephew (Clay) and his brother-in-law (Scott).

Tracy is survived by his parents, Meryl and Kay Hughes of Bend, his sister, Lori Newkirk of Tacoma, his brother, Corey Hughes (Bernice Vandegrift) of Gig Harbor, his son, Ricky (Maggie) Hughes of Statesville, N.C., his daughter, Amanda (Joshua) Swanson of Vilas, N.C., his son, Daniel (Karissa) Hughes of Fairbanks, his daughter, Emma Livengood-Hughes of Sequim, five grandchildren, and several nieces, nephews and extended family.

Tracy strived to maintain a close family relationship and will be greatly missed by his many friends and family.

Because of Covid19 there will be no gathering at this time to celebrate his life.

Sequim schools could open in early October

BY MICHAEL DASHIELL
Sequim Gazette

With Clallam County's overall COVID-19 infection rate decreasing in recent weeks, Sequim school leaders are keeping an eye on opening its school doors to at least some of its students.

Sequim schools superintendent Dr. Rob Clark said several students with special needs — about 30 of them — will be the first students on campus on Sept. 28 and, if coronavirus rates stay below the 75 cases per 100,000 threshold countywide, the district could start bringing back students at some grade levels beginning Oct. 5.

“The first kids on campus will be a week from today; then we're going

to move slowly but surely,” Clark told school board directors Monday night.

“I'm not sure we're going to be fully ready by then (Oct. 5), so I'm not setting a date,” he said.

According to the Clallam County Health Department as of Sept. 21, Clallam's COVID-19 rate of infection in the last 14 days is 17 (per 100,000 population) — putting the county in the “low” rating of 10-25. As of that date, Clallam has been below the “high” threshold (75-plus) for 21 days and under the “moderate” threshold (25-75) for nine days.

School district leaders previously noted that the countywide rate would have to be at “moderate” or lower levels for at least 28 consecutive days to start bringing students back into classrooms.

Clark said the district is going to be deliberate in its approach to re-opening its buildings.

“Our goals haven't changed, in the sense that while we want to meet in kids brick-and-mortar (rooms),” he said Monday. “Health and safety of our staff and students and parents and the community is number one. While it's exciting that our numbers our down ... I think that's its naive to think they are going to remain down for the next eight months. We need to have our virtual meeting platforms perfected ... (and) if we have to back and do virtual for a few weeks, we can do that.”

Clark said he hopes to have a document articulating the school district's re-opening plans on the website (sequimschools.org) by the end of this week.



This one's for Donald: Youths at the Boys & Girls Club in Sequim hold up Pepsi cans in honor of Donald Kendall, a Sequim native and former PepsiCo CEO whose contribution during a 2000 capital campaign helped construct the facility that's named after his father. Kendall died on Sept. 19. Photos courtesy of the Boys & Girls Clubs of the Olympic Peninsula

Kendall

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PepsiCo, the company said. During his tenure as CEO, the business' revenues increased almost 40-fold, from \$200 million to \$7.6 billion.

Kendall left behind a tribute to his father Carroll Kendall, establishing the Carroll C. Kendall Boys and Girls Club in Sequim

“We're heavy-hearted here,” said Mary Budke, executive director of the Boys & Girls Clubs of the Olympic Peninsula organization.

“He was a mentor; he called and checked on the kids quite often. Several times a year.”

Founded in 1986, the Boys & Girls Club in Sequim quickly outgrew its facility at the old Masonic Lodge on North Sequim Avenue and then the nearby Trinity United Methodist Church before its current spot on Fir Street.

During a capital campaign to build the club, located at 400 W. Fir St., Sequim Rotarian Cecil Dawley — one of Kendall's former classmates — contacted the former PepsiCo CEO and suggested his family might want to support the youths in Sequim, said Rochelle McHugh, a Sequim Noon Rotary members and co-chair of the campaign.

Kendall agreed and offered \$500,000 in PepsiCo stock for the campaign to honor his father, an award-winning dairy farmer, McHugh recalled.

“(A) super generous man,” McHugh said. “We are hoping his legacy will continue on.”

The Kendall family is planning to hold a small funeral in the coming days and a

memorial service to celebrate his life after the COVID-19 pandemic is under control.

In lieu of flowers, the Kendall family asked that donations be made to the Carroll C. Kendall Boys & Girls Club (see www.bgc-op.org/CCK-sequim or call 360-683-8095).

That the family asked to have donations go to the club rather than another organization is telling, Budke said.

“He said the way he was raised here (in Sequim) gave him the foundation for his success,” she said.

The first donation in Kendall's memorial, Budke said — quite a large one — came through Monday.

Kendall's family confirmed his passing in a news release.

“Our family is heartbroken, but also incredibly proud of the truly epic life he led,” family members said. “From the dairy farm in Washington where he was born and grew up, he went on to serve his country with distinction as a Naval aviator in World War II and then joined the Pepsi Cola Company as a management trainee and route salesman.”

“The fact that he climbed to the top and grew PepsiCo into the global enterprise it is today is a fitting testament to his legendary work ethic, drive, optimism, competitive spirit and love of people.”

Veteran, international salesman, visionary

Born March 16, 1921, in Sequim, Donald Mcintosh Kendall became a star football player in high school and earned a scholarship from Western Kentucky State College in Bowling Green, Ky., according to a memorial

page posted on the PepsiCo website.

He started his career as a salesman in Bowling Green, first getting paid on commission at a shoe store.

In 1941, before finishing college, he enlisted in the U.S. Navy as a pilot to serve in World War II.

Kendall recounted to the *Greenwich Sentinel* that his plane was shot down and he landed in the water off the Philippines, eventually being rescued by a submarine.

By war's end he had earned two Distinguished Flying Crosses and three Air Medals.

In 1947, after leaving the service, Kendall applied for and gained entry in the Pepsi's Queens (New York) headquarters for \$400 a month. He took a job on the bottling line, then got a stint on a route truck. By the time he was 35, he was the top sales and marketing executive in the company, the biography notes.

By 1957 he was president of Pepsi-Cola International and flourished in that position as well: By the time he left that role, Pepsi-Cola was sold in 103 countries.

Kendall became president and CEO of the Pepsi-Cola Company in 1963. Less than two years later, he led the merger with Frito-Lay as the company became PepsiCo.

He retired as chairman and CEO in 1986.

“Throughout Kendall's tenure, PepsiCo continued to flourish, acquiring complementary brands and delivering strong performance over two decades,” the biography notes.

Influential figure

Kendall also had a strong

interest in political affairs, forming relationships with several U.S. presidents (Richard Nixon, in particular) and foreign dignitaries.

“Nixon worked for me as a legal advisor in the 1960's before he became President,” Kendall told the *Sentinel*.

“We opened things up around the world. He traveled with me all over the world.”

According to PepsiCo, Kendall in 1959 served Russian Premier Nikita Khrushchev the first cola he had ever tasted and 14 years later Pepsi became the first U.S. consumer product to be made and sold in Russia.

Kendall would also be instrumental in bringing Pepsi products to China after the country resumed diplomatic relations with the U.S. in 1979.

“He believed wholeheartedly in the human benefits of free trade,” the PepsiCo biography records, “saying that international commerce ‘provides jobs, raises standards of living, and builds bridges of communication between people.’”

Kendall also worked to diversify PepsiCo's staff, the company said, defying cultural norms and raised the bar for corporate responsibility. In 1962, with Kendall's support, Pepsi-Cola appointed Harvey Russell the first African-American vice president of a major U.S. corporation. When the Ku Klux Klan organized a boycott of Pepsi, Kendall responded by hiring a second African-American executive.

In 1986, the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund honored him with the first Equal Justice Award, citing his commitment to workplace equality.

“All of us at PepsiCo are devastated by the passing of Don Kendall,” Ramon L. Laguarda, current PepsiCo chairman and CEO, wrote on the company's website this week. “

Don was an inspiration to all of us leaders at PepsiCo, from his endless passion to live and make a difference in the world; to his creativity and entrepreneurship; his belief in building bridges between cultures through business; his capacity to connect people and build relationships; his respect for diversity; and his support for the less privileged.”

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Sequim poet weaves personal, place with 'Terrain'



Hietpas' debut collection inspired by pain, perseverance

BY MICHAEL DASHIELL
Sequim Gazette

For her debut poetry collection, Sequim author Gina Hietpas dug deep into personal thoughts and experiences ... at times, three decades deep.

Along with friends, former teachers and other poetry aficionados, the retired teacher celebrated the release of "Terrain," a collection of poems inspired in part by the highs and lows of health and illness and advocacy, on Sept. 10.

"A lot of these poems started as journal entries and sort of evolved into something more," Hietpas said. "If you go back and go through it there a little gems you can pull out."

Port Angeles poet Alice Derry, who worked with Hietpas' manuscript, noted "The whole book works as a love poem."

A Pacific Northwest native, Hietpas grew up in Tacoma, came to the Olympic Peninsula in the mid-1970s and settling in the Sequim area in 1981. The former Olympic National Park backcountry ranger lives just outside Sequim on a small farm with her husband, cows, chickens and the neighboring elk, deer, coyotes and an occasional bear.

At Sequim Middle School she taught U.S. History and language arts, and was a reading program specialist before retiring in 2010.

"I had always written and always written poetry," she said, but retirement allowed for much more time to develop her craft. Her work has appeared in *Minerva Rising*, *Tidepools*, *Spindrift* and *New Plains Review* publications.

Hietpas took a friend's suggestion to try some poetry workshops, and

began working with Peninsula College professor Dr. Kate Reavey and Derry, the college's then Writer-In-Residence.

"Alice really encouraged me with the manuscript," Hietpas recalled.

With her husband dealing with some significant chronic health issues, Hietpas' poems weaved those themes with her love of the natural world on the peninsula.

Her original collection of 16-17 poems grew when Blue Cactus Press publisher Christina Butcher suggested she add her other poems.

A longtime journal writer, Hietpas said she's gleaned a lot from those passages from years past.

"One of the things I looked for were, 'What are the repetitive images that come up?' Often times in the journals, I document not only how I'm feeling but what's happening with the land, what's happening with the birds, the elk coming through the valley.

"The land itself and the wildlife become an active part of the process in my personal life."

That's evident from the get-go in "Terrain," introduced with "Coyote Speaks To Me." It opens,

"So you want to know this place? Be up at dawn

when first light brushes the sky beyond the grove

of madrones you call the seven sister.

Don't whine. Learn by exposing yourself

to the dark and the cold.

I sleep in the blackberry tangle edging the hayfield,

my thorn fortress warmed by southern light. ..."

While she doesn't necessarily have favorites in the collection, this

piece, Hietpas said, is a powerful one to her.

Deeper into "Terrain" is "Coyote Transforms the Blues," a piece inspired by a specific moment. Her husband battling an illness, and she still grieving over her recently passed mother, Hietpas one day spied out of her window a coyote walking along a path. The animal leapt on a patch of earth to capture a mouse and, having come up short, shrugged and lumbered away.

"It's total lesson: you don't always get what you want," Hietpas said. "You've got to learn to shrug it off and keep going."

Working the craft

Hietpas has studied under Derry, Kelli Russell Agodon, Holly Hughes, Susan Rich and Kim Stafford, among others, to develop her craft and voice as a poet. From a workshop with Hughes in Port Townsend she developed a sense of place — "how to honor place, (the) how and where we live is an active force in our life" — while a workshop with Stafford, the former Oregon state poet laureate, helped her develop a beneficial, disciplined writing process.

"Hietpas delivers the visceral, highly-textured terrain of experience on home ground with all the fierce affection and honesty true residence requires," Stafford said of Hietpas' work. "Your sense of honest words in the world, your grasp of animal courage, will not be the same after these poems take you."

From Derry, Hietpas took in valuable suggestions about the craft, from stanza structure to word choice.



Gina Hietpas' debut collection of poetry, "Terrain," is available now at several websites. Submitted photo

"She really gave me some wonderful guidelines on how to revise," Hietpas said of Derry's instruction.

It's arrogance to think a poem is perfect the first time, she said. A clear example, she noted, is "Aria: We Are Introduced to Our Future," a poem found in "Terrain." Hietpas had written the piece inspired by the song of the female winter wren, coming to identify with the bird. Four years after its composition, however, she read in a newspaper article that it's the male winter wren who sings. She went back and amended the poem's pronouns.

"It's a metaphor about resilience; we each have our own complex song, and we have to work in what ever is our creative way to put that song into the world," she said.

Hietpas was the guest of honor at a Sept. 10 virtual book release of "Terrain," introduced by Sequim author Tim McNulty along with a question-and-answer session hosted by Hughes.

See the virtual book release at tinyurl.com/y6293zcm.

"Your poems are so fully of the body, that ... they really bring together the land, the body, a marriage and all the creatures that we inhabit this earth with," Hughes said.

"I loved how they kept showing up."

Copies of the paperback "Terrain" are available at bluecactuspress.com or spdbooks.org.

Read samples of Hietpas' work at bluecactuspress.com/2020/05/04/pre-orders-poems.



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Digital, gourd art in spotlight at Blue Whole in October

SEQUIM GAZETTE STAFF

Two award-winning veteran artists take the spotlight in "Celebration of the Season of Arts," the new exhibit in the windows of the Blue Whole Gallery in October.

Gourd artist Debbie Cain, president of the Washington State Gourd Society, and digital artist Marilynn Evans, new president of the Blue Whole Gallery, are featured.

The exhibit opening is set for 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Friday, Oct. 2, at the Blue Whole Gallery, 129 W. Washington St.

Evans said she enjoys creating multi-layered, imaginative and colorful digital art that "invites the viewer to step into a different reality for a brief moment."

The layering of the images, whimsical or even surreal elements, rich in textures and



"Balloon Adventure" by Marilynn Evans, a featured artist at the Blue Whole Gallery in Sequim this October. Submitted art

other effects that allow her to design something new that captures the imagination as well, she said.

"But most of all, it makes you smile," Evans said.

When she did her first gourd art about 16 years ago, Cain said she was "totally captivated and very excited to explore the possibilities on this new 3D canvas."

"I began with wood-burning and then was introduced to carving. I use both techniques in most of my work today. To produce the overall effect, I embellish my work with natural pine needles, gemstones, glass and fiber coiling."

Cain said she has also taken great inspiration from Southwest American Indian motifs. Her work has been published in the book "Antler Art for Baskets and Gourds," and she's received awards from various venues, including the Arizona Gourd Society in Casa Grande, Ariz.

The gallery is open 11 a.m.-3 p.m., Tuesday-Sunday; masks and social distancing are required in the gallery with a maximum of six visitors at a time.

For more information, see www.bluewholegallery.com.



"Geometric" by Debbie Cain, a featured artist at the Blue Whole Gallery in Sequim this October. Submitted art

City seeks submissions for 'Youthful Expressions' exhibit

SEQUIM GAZETTE STAFF

The City Arts Advisory Commission (CAAC) is seeking entries for the next digital exhibit, "Youthful Expressions," slated to be displayed online at the City of Sequim website (www.sequimwa.gov) starting Dec. 4.

The exhibit asks artists to share their "youthful expressions" or perspectives of hope, joy and play found during the COVID-19 pandemic, asking youths to consider what gives them hope and/or makes them smile.

"On a deeper level this exhibit invites artists to imagine Sequim's best possible future and how to playfully moves towards it as a community," exhibit organizers say.

Artists of all mediums — including

painters, sculptors, poets, storytellers, performers and musicians — are welcome to apply. "Youthful Expressions" is an all-ages exhibit and will feature some submissions from Sequim High School.

The deadline for submissions is 8 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 11; only digital applications will be considered.

To enter, complete the document at form.jotform.com/alagattuta/youthful-expressions.

Artists will be notified of their status via email by Nov. 13.

The exhibit will run through March 1. For complete entry guidelines and exhibit information, www.sequimwa.gov/694/Call-for-Artists-City-Arts-Advisory-Comm, or contact arts coordinator Aurora Lagattuta at alagattuta@sequimwa.gov or 360-582-2477.

Toastmasters to spotlight humor at meeting

SEQUIM GAZETTE STAFF

Local Toastmasters says speaking with humor makes speeches special, audiences engaged and messages more memorable.

To help club members and guests work that humor into their presentations, Sequim's Toastmasters Club offers "You Can Be Funny 2," a free online event from 7-8:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 29, featuring Humorous Speech Champion Vladimir Balabanov.

To access the Zoom meeting, visit the club's home page: 907529.toastmastersclubs.org (or Google SKWIM Toastmasters) and click on the link. Organizers recommend participants/visitors come 15 minutes early.

A Boeing engineer by day,



Skwim Toastmasters hosts a free, online lesson in comedic speech-giving with humorous speech champion Vladimir Balabanov on Sept. 29. Submitted photo

Balabanov is a longtime Toastmaster and accomplished presenter. His cat-sitting adventures highlighted Sequim's "Laugh Out Loud" Humorous Speech Showcase in 2018.

"Vladimir gives a step-by-step approach to finding humor," Distinguished Toastmaster Kyle Hall said. "It's very practical,

and easy to follow."

Lindy MacLaine, past club president, and recent third-place winner in the World Championship of Public Speaking, said, "It's a relief to know humor isn't only the realm of the naturally funny. Learning to include humor in my speeches has made all the difference for my contest success. It really is something that anyone can learn."

Skwim Toastmasters is part of Toastmasters International, a worldwide nonprofit educational organization that "empowers individuals to become more effective communicators and leaders." In "normal" times, the Sequim club meets every Tuesday from 7-8:30 p.m. at the Gathering Place in Sunland, 135 Fairway Dr.

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 - Jewish calendar month
 - Round Dutch cheese
 - Western Pacific republic
 - List of foods
 - It can strike the ground
 - Drenches
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 - One point east of due south
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 - Holds nothing back
 - Top of the body (abbr.)
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 - Did slowly
 - Greek goddess of the dawn
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 - Vital to existence
 - Aristocratic young women
 - Erik ____, composer
 - Not young
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 - student: learns to heal
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 - Muslim ruler
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 - Malay boat
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 - The woman
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 - We all have it
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Garage Sales & Mark it Sold

Map showing Sequim area with streets and locations marked for garage sales and 'Mark it Sold' listings. Legend: Mark it Sold listing (see ad on page 1) Garage Sale

Map includes labels for Sequim, Diamond Point, Discovery Bay, and Sequim Bay.

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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF CLALLAM
Case No. 20 4 00324 05
PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS (RCW 11.40.030)
 In re the Estate of: JANET J. LITTLE, Deceased.
 The Personal Representative named below has been appointed as Personal Representative of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the Personal Representative or the Personal Representative's attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original claim with the court. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) Thirty (30) days after the Personal Representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or (2) Four (4) months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against decedent's probate and non-probate assets.
 Date of First Publication: September 16, 2020
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE: Katherine D. Gilles
ATTORNEY FOR PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE: W. Jeff Davis, WSBA #12246
OF BELL & DAVIS PLLC
ADDRESS FOR MAILING OR SERVICE: P.O. Box 510 Sequim, WA 98382
 Pub: SG September 16, 23, 30, 2020
 Legal No: 908229

Legal Notices - General

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR CLALLAM COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE NONPROBATE ESTATE OF JENNIFER L. SWENSON, Deceased.
NONPROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS
 The notice agent named below has elected to give notice to creditors of the above-named decedent. As of the date of the filing of a copy of this notice with the court, the notice agent has no knowledge of any other person acting as notice agent or of the appointment of a personal representative of the decedent's estate in the state of Washington. According to the records of the court as are available on the date of the filing of this notice with the court, a cause number regarding the decedent has not been issued to another notice agent and a personal representative of the decedent's estate has not been appointed.
 Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.42.070 by serving on or mailing to the notice agent or the notice agent's attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court in which the notice agent's declaration and oath were filed. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) Thirty days after the notice agent served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.42.020(2)(c); or (2) Four months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.42.050 and 11.42.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and nonprobate assets.
 Date of filing copy of notice to creditors, 9-11-20
 Date of first publication, 9-23-20
ERIC R. SWENSON
 Notice Agent
 Judith H. Peace
 Attorney for the Notice Agent
 720 E. Washington, Suite 109
 P.O. Box 2315
 Sequim, WA 98382
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Legal Notices - Clallam County

PUBLIC HEARING
 Proposed Clallam County Ordinances (3)
Amending Clallam County Code, Ch. 27.10, entitled "Right to Forestry, Mining and Agriculture"
Amending Clallam County Code, Title 31, entitled "Comprehensive Plan"
Amending Clallam County Code, Title 33, entitled "Zoning."

NOTICE: The Clallam County Board of Commissioners will conduct a public hearing on **Tuesday, September 29, 2020 at 10:30 a.m.** or as soon thereafter as possible in the Commissioners' Meeting Room of the Clallam County Courthouse, 223 East 4th Street, Room 160, Port Angeles, Washington. The public hearing is to consider the ordinances listed above. All proposed ordinances are available on the County website www.clallam.net or a free copy can be mailed to you upon request.

"ATTENTION" In response to the current pandemic, to promote social distancing, and in compliance with Governor's Proclamation which prohibits in-person attendance at meetings, the Board of Commissioners strongly encourages the public to take advantage of remote options for attending open public meetings. This meeting can be viewed on a live stream at this link: <http://www.clallam.net/features/meetings.html> If you would like to participate in the meeting by phone call 408-419-1715 and use Meeting ID: 875 561 784. If you would like to participate via video conference, visit www.bluejeans.com and join the Work Session with Meeting ID: 875 561 784. No in-person attendance will be allowed until Governor's Proclamation is lifted. Public comments are encouraged. Any interested person or party may submit written or oral comments on the proposal. Public comment and questions can be directed to the Clerk of the Board at 360-417-2256 or agores@co.clallam.wa.us. Submit written comments to the address below before the commencement of the hearing.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, reasonable accommodations are available upon request, although there can be no in-person attendance. The facility is considered "barrier free" and accessible to those with physical disabilities.
PROBONENT: Clallam County Board of Commissioners
 223 East 4th Street, Suite 4
 Port Angeles, WA 98362-3015
 Telephone: 360.417.2233

FORMAL IDENTIFICATION:

Ordinance amending Ch. 27.10, entitled "Right to Forestry, Mining and Agriculture."

Ordinance amending CCC Title 31, entitled "Comprehensive Plan."

Ordinance amending CCC Title 33, entitled "Zoning."

Questions about the substance of the proposal, but not written comments, should be sent to the project planner, Greg Ballard, at either (360) 565-2616 or gballard@co.clallam.wa.us

The purpose of the hearing is to receive public testimony on the adoption of the following proposed amendment of the Clallam County Comprehensive and Development Regulations pertaining to mineral lands as follows:

- The subject of the public hearing will be substantive changes and additions to the County's Comprehensive Plan (Title 31 of the County Code or "Plan") and development regulations (Title 33 of the County Code) that govern mineral resource lands ("MRLs") and surface mines or "mines." Also, a section in Title 27 is proposed for revision so that section mirrors state law.
- Mineral Resource Lands have been the subject of 15 Planning Commission meetings and a public hearing before the Planning Commission on July 1, 2020, culminating in the Planning Commission transmitting to the County Commission on July 20, 2020 its recommendation that the proposals be enacted by the County Commission.
- County staff is proposing amending Titles 27, 31 and 33 because it must comply with a Remand Order from the Western WA Growth Board filed under cause #18-2-0006.
- The Growth Board ruled the County did not have sufficient public participation when it enacted in 2018 its "periodic update" of the Plan. Upon beginning the work to comply with the Remand Order the County found Titles 31 and 33 to be incomplete with respect to MRLs and mining, specifically regarding the classification and designation of MRLs. Also the County currently designates too much land as MRL and has mapping of MRLs at a scale that is not of use to staff or citizens.
- Staff is proposing as a method for classification of MRLs a scoring system that awards points and has a maximum score of 200. This system will be added to the Plan at a new section, CCC §31.02.170. The scoring system [based on WAC 365-190-070(3)(d) & (e)] scores a site based upon its 1) underlying geology, 2) quality of mineral resource present at a particular location, 3) distance to population centers, 4) the size of adjacent parcels and surrounding land uses, 5) depth of the overburden, and 6) assorted other factors.
- Designation will be based on the classification scoring system described immediately above. The Plan will contain a new section at CCC §31.02.180, which generally repeats the text of the designation criteria found at WAC 365-190-040(5) and WAC 365-190-070(4).
- These new Plan sections on classification and designation are, under this proposal, paired with parallel text in the development regulations to describe how a particular parcel or site will be classified as MRL and then designated as either MRL or a new designation known by its shorthand as MRL0D, a designation that provides extra benefits.
- Some 31 mines where mineral extraction is currently occurring which have a permit from the State Dept. of Natural Resources will be designated as MRL0D or "Mineral Resource Land Overlay Districts" through a County-initiated and BoCC approved Plan amendment in fall 2020.
- Also some 424 square miles (approx. 272,000 acres) will be immediately designated as Mineral Resource Land-Potential or "MLRP" on maps to be added to the Comprehensive Plan certain lands satisfying two criteria, 1) they have zoning of CFene, CFMU-5 or CFMU-20 and 2) DNR geology mapping indicates the underlying geology of that land to be either "Glaciomarine Drift (Pleistocene)" or "Crescent Formation," the latter being more formally known as "Theta-v-c" on DNR maps.
- Mines that score 150 or otherwise meet the MRL0D qualifications laid out in new Chapter 33.62 in the development regulations may also become MRL0Ds. MRL0Ds must comply only with Chapter 33.62 and new §33.07.025 and any critical areas rules, if applicable. The MRL0D designation will overlay the existing zoning designation for a particular site.
- Mines that score 100 to 149 will be eligible for co-designation as MRL and will need to comply with new §33.07.025 and critical areas rules, if applicable. Applicants with this score may in certain circumstances no longer need to obtain a zoning conditional use permit ("zoning CUP") in order to begin operation of a mine. Designation of a particular site as an MRL will also occur only through a County-initiated and BoCC approved Plan amendment.
- Not being changed by this proposal are two existing routes for a landowner to begin operation of a mine in this county. Mining will continue to be a "yes" or authorized use upon any parcel zoned "Commercial Forest." Mining is authorized in 11 of 13 rural residential zones if the applicant also obtains a zoning CUP. If applicable, critical areas regulations will also apply to a location where the owner seeks to operate a mine.
- Staff also proposes minor additions and one deletion to Chapter 31.01 of the County Code, entitled "Comprehensive Plan" overview.
- Staff also proposes as part of §31.02.050, entitled "Definitions," to revise three definitions and add in new definitions for "mineral resource lands" and "20-year supply."
- Staff proposes revising one subsection of §31.02.140, entitled "Forest Land Goals."
- Staff proposes renumbering existing §31.02.145, entitled "Mineral Resource Land Issues," as §31.02.160 and adding 18 subsections to this section which are intended to describe in narrative format the details of the review process a proposed mine undergoes.
- Staff proposes additions to §31.02.150, entitled "Mineral Lands Goals," which, in part, make mining a preferred use over residential subdivision at locations that are either MRLs or MRL0Ds and expressly state classification and designation of MRLs are two distinct steps.
- Staff proposes a new section §31.02.170 to be titled "Classification of Mineral Resource Land," which includes the scoring system for determining in the utility of mining at a particular site or location.
- Staff proposes a new section §31.02.180 to be titled "Designation of Mineral Resource Land," which establishes the rules for how the county will designate either MRLs or MRL0Ds.
- Staff proposes a new section §31.02.190 to be titled "Mineral Resource Land Overlay District," which describes how a particular site becomes such an Overlay District.
- Staff proposes the repeal of current §31.02.910 and insertion into the Plan under that same number of 6 maps from DNR and 3 matrices reflecting and listing active and inactive mines with DNR permits for three planning areas, Sequim, Port Angeles and Western region. Also a "Statistics" sheet and the August 2020 "Supply & Demand" Memo.
- Staff proposes changes to Ch. 33.03, entitled "Definitions," in the development regulations, specifically two revised definitions and four additional definitions.
- Staff proposes adding a new §33.07.045, entitled "Mineral Resource Lands and Mineral Resource Land Overlay Districts," to Ch. 33.07 ("Resource and Public Zones") of the development regulations.
- Staff proposes adding a new Ch. 33.62, entitled "Mineral Resource Lands and Mineral Resource Land Overlay Districts," to Title 33 ("Zoning") of the development regulations.

Upon completion of the public hearing the County Commission will deliberate during one or more open public meeting(s) and decide whether or not to enact these proposed amendments to the Comp Plan and the County Code as proposed or as modified by them.

Loni Gores, CMC
 Clerk to the BoCC
 Pub.: SEQ September 9, 16, 23, 2020
 Legal No. 907878

Legal Notices - General

SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON FOR CLALLAM COUNTY
 Estate of Charles R. Schmidt, Deceased
No. 20-4-00333-05
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 The Executor named below has been appointed and has qualified as Executor of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the Executor or the Executor's attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) Thirty days after the Executor served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or (2) Four months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and non-probate assets.
DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION: September 16, 2010
Scott Michael Scholl, Executor
Attorney for Executor: Alan E. Millet, WSBA #11706
Address for Mailing or Service: P.O. Box 1029, Sequim, Washington 98382
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Legal No. 908558

SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON FOR CLALLAM COUNTY

Estate of Margaret Swingle, Deceased
No. 20-4-00332-05
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 The personal representative named below has been appointed and has qualified as personal representative of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the personal representative or the personal representative's attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) Thirty days after the personal representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or (2) Four months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and non-probate assets.
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Andrew C. Swingle, Personal Representative
Attorney for Personal Representative: Alan E. Millet, WSBA #11706
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